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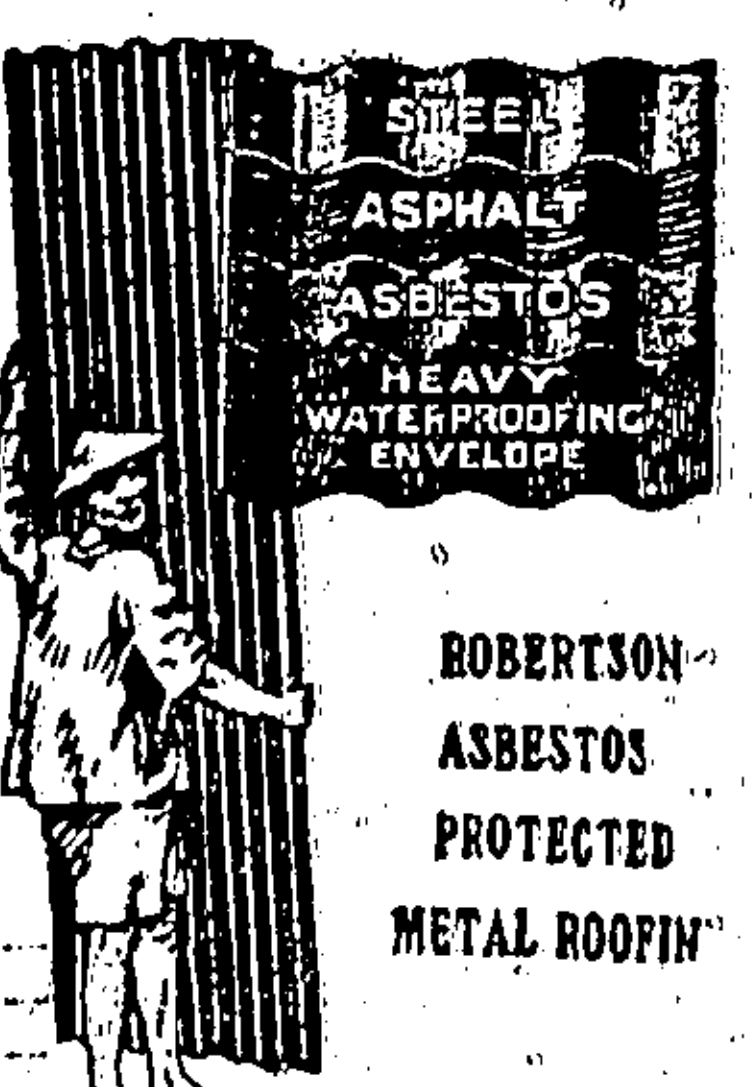
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(the distance, roughly, round the
world) every four days.

Addressing the ordinary yearly
meeting of the Hongkong Tram-
ways, Ltd., to-day, Mr. D. G. M.
Bernardi (chairman) said:—

"Gentlemen, — The report of
the directors, with statement of
accounts, for the year 1925, have
been in your hands for some days
and, with your permission, I will
follow the usual procedure and
take them as read.

"It is now 21 years since the
first electric tramcar was put into
operation in Hongkong and I
think the present is an opportune
time to refer briefly to tramways
in general. Those who care for
statistics may be interested to
hear that our normal mileage has
reached the equivalent of one
tram going round the world every
four days.

"A certain section of the Press
at home has persistently attack-
ed tramways (especially munici-
pal tramways) and in some
towns the cry 'scrap the trams'
has been raised. In many small
towns where only a limited ser-
vice is required, tramways are
undoubtedly being superseded by
either railways, cars, (trolley
vehicles) for motor buses. The
latter are ideal for suburban and
country districts where the ser-
vice does not warrant high capital
expenditure. This is particularly
the case in America where petrol
is cheap.

"Regarding large towns, how-
ever, or rapidly growing localities
which call for a 3, 4 or 5 minutes'
service, electric tramways are
supreme and I will quote two
authorities in support of this
assertion.

"The first is Mr. Fearnley, the
general manager of the Sheffield
Corporation Tramways and Motor
Department. This undertaking
possesses (in addition to 400 tram-
cars) one of the largest munici-
pal motor bus undertakings in
Great Britain. Speaking at a
Transport Conference at Bright-
on on September 10 last, Mr.
Fearnley said:—

"Tramways are still the pre-
mier form of street transport for
the large industrial areas.

"No one is yet able to demon-
strate anything to the con-
trary, and one's own daily ex-
perience proves beyond question
the correctness of this asser-
tion."

"The second is Sir George
Hume, M.P., a leading member of
the London County Council.

"Speaking in the House of Com-
mons on June 25 last he said:—

"I venture to say that no man
in his senses, who has had any-
thing to do with municipal
politics in London, would dare
to go to London with the cry of
'scrap the trams.' We hear
that cry from those who are
articulate, but not from the
great mass of Londoners, the
workers, who know what ser-
vice the trams give to them, and
for one, although I have been
charged for years with having
the intention of scrapping the
trams, have never dreamed of
doing so mad a thing."

"In the two days immediately
preceding China New Year 1925,
we carried a quarter of a million
passengers exclusive of monthly
ticket holders. Can one visualise
the state of the streets between
say, Garden Road and Sincere's,
had we attempted to carry this
number of people by means of
motor omnibuses?

"It would require 200 single-
deck buses to replace 80 tramcars
and not only would this cause
acute traffic congestion but the
operating costs per passenger would
be doubled. The cost of power
alone would be increased by not
less than \$300,000 per annum
which represents the difference
between the cost of petrol and
electricity.

"The tramcar is a much more
economical user of street space

POWERS AND CHINA.

SUGGESTION FOR ARMED INTERVENTION.

NO CONFERENCE BY CABLE.

(*Reuter's Service.*)

London, Feb. 24.

In the House of Commons,
Sir Austen Chamberlain, Secre-
tary of State for Foreign
Affairs, replied in the nega-
tive to a question as to whe-
ther there had been a conference
by cable between London, Wash-
ington, Paris, Tokyo, and Rome in
regard to the suggestion for arm-
ed intervention in China.

RISKY GAMBLE.

RUSSIA LOSES FAVOURITE
POSITION.

SIGNS OF THE TIMES.

(*Reuter's Service.*)

London, Feb. 24.

The "Daily Telegraph" sees signs
that Russia has lost the favourable
position she had gained in China
"as the price of her risky gamble
with the youthful Nationalism of
China, whilst the Powers have im-
proved their position, which has
gone some way toward re-establish-
ing good faith.

It attributes the change partly
to the gradual emergence of
moderate opinion, which was stifled
during the clamour and civil dis-
turbance. It says that now it is
especially desirable that this mod-
erate movement be helped since
China's need for Western co-opera-
tion was never more acute than it
is to-day. It urges the Powers to
spare no efforts, though patience
is of prime importance.

than a motor bus. On a wet night
on the Embankment, the L.C.C.
cars move 50,000 people per hour.

"Referring to this, Sir Henry
Maybury, Director-General of
Roads, recently said: 'How are you
going to carry that number of
buses if you scrap the trams?
Where are you going to
put all the buses that would be
necessary?'

"These cars may be a procession
but they are an orderly pro-
cession, vastly different from the
traffic chaos to be seen every day
near, say, the Bank of England.

Kowloon Transport.

"On the question of Kowloon my
predecessor at this meeting last
year said 'the Government pro-
pose shortly to call for tenders for
the exclusive right of operating a
motor bus service in Kowloon.' It
is the intention of your directors
to tender for such a service, al-
though it is felt that electric
traction by means of either cars
on rails or trolley vehicles would
be preferable. I endorse
every word of Mr. Beith in this
connection and it is significant
that Shanghai, Singapore, and
Peking are all adopting trolley
vehicles rather than petrol
buses on routes where tramway
construction (or re-construction)
is considered too costly.

"There is, of course (except
from the point of view of the
highway authority) one important
advantage to be derived from sub-
stituting rail-free for rail-borne
vehicles. The operating concern
is relieved of the onerous obliga-
tion of the upkeep of a large por-
tion of the street paving, about 15
acres, of which we maintain
between Shaikwan and Kennedy
Town to-day.

"Apropos of this, the Parliamen-
tary Secretary to the Ministry of
Transport, speaking in the House
of Commons on November 17 last,
said 'the tramways under an Old
Tramways Act (of 1870) when
horses pulled trams have to keep
the middle of the roads in repair.
That is a very great hardship to
the trams throughout the coun-
try, because in regard to damage
done to the middle of the track,
the upkeep of which falls on the
tramway undertaking, the motor
omnibuses damage not only the
sides of the road but the middle
of the road between the tramway
rails as well.'

(Continued on Page 7.)

CANTON CUSTOMS.

DEPARTURES UNLIKELY TO-MORROW.

REPORTED COMPLAINT.

Conflicting reports have been
received regarding the closure of
the ports of Canton and Whampoa
by the Chinese Maritime Customs.
Late this morning there seemed
no possibility of steamers leaving
for Canton to-morrow. Clearance
must be obtained by 5 p.m. to-day
otherwise there will be no sailings.
It is still presumed that out-
wardly there is no material change
in the situation.

Letters, alleged to have passed
between the Canton Political Coun-
cil, the Canton Superintendent of
Customs (Mr. Fu Ping-sheng) and
the Canton Commissioner of Custom-
s, are published in the Canton
vernacular papers.

Rumours that an early, if not im-
mediate, settlement of the present
dispute, are given colour to by a
statement that the Canton Govern-
ment has given three undertakings,
viz:—

To instruct the Strike (or
Boycott) committee immediately
to return the eight cargo vessels
detained.

To supply vessels to protect
"cargo and thus ensure its reach-
ing the Customs for examination.

In future pickets will not be
allowed to interfere with any
cargo, whether for import or ex-
port, until such cargo has been
duly passed by the Customs and
revenue is paid. (This is sup-
ported by the report that after
passing through the Customs
merchandise will have to be ex-
amined by the "joint" labour
and mercantile examination
bureau.)

Another story which has come
down by mail is that, in compliance
with the Canton Government's re-
quest, the Boycott committee sent
back eight lighters (believed to
be the last to be seized) with a re-
mark that it was not known if the
Customs referred specifically to
that lot of cargo.

LOVE'S ROMANCE.

HOW A GIRL WAS DUPED.

SEQUEL IN COURT.

In December last year a Chinese
girl was bound over on a charge of
stealing a sum of \$1,115 belong-
ing to her foster-mother. It was
then admitted by the girl that she
made the acquaintance of a young
man with whom she had frequent
meetings at Fung Wong Terrace,
Wanchai. She took the money
from a box and handed it over to
her friend who said he wanted the
money to pay for medical ex-
penses.

Further light in this romance
would not have been possible but
for the fact that yesterday
afternoon the girl saw her missing
lover walking near the Wellington
Barracks. Following him un-
observed, he was seen to enter the
staircase of No. 18, Tai Wo
Street. The find was reported to
the foster-mother, a report was
quickly made to the police, and the
man was caught.

Charged with the theft of the
money and alternatively with re-
ceiving it, defendant made a
total denial before Mr. R. E. Lind-
sell at the Central Magistracy this
morning, but later, said that the
girl's foster-mother voluntarily
gave \$500 to help him to specu-
late after a betrothal had been
arranged with the daughter at a
Wanchai restaurant.

In evidence this morning, the
girl stated that defendant first
obtained \$500 by saying that he
wanted the money to pay for
medical attendance. Two days
later he induced her to give him
another \$500, this being said to be
for securing a commission in the
Canton army. A request for the
remaining \$115 was stated to have
followed, the reason being that
the defendant wanted the money
for travelling expenses to Can-
ton. Pressed as to the real rea-
son for giving defendant the
money, the girl said that defen-
dant promised to marry her, and
she believed his promises to re-
turn the money for replacement in
the box without the foster-
mother knowing anything about
it.

The case was adjourned until
Saturday for a relative of the de-
fendant to be called.

A LOST WILL.

LOCAL SEAMAN'S \$14,000 PROPERTY.

FIANCEE BENEFITS.

The losing of a will in the office
of the Registrar led to an applica-
tion in the Supreme Court, this
morning for grant of probate in re-
spect of a copy of the will.

The will was that of Mr. George
Young, marine engineer in the em-
ploy of the Douglas Steamship
Company, and disposed of personal
property amounting to \$13,981.

The application for grant of
probate in respect of the copy was
made by Mr. H. G. Sheldon (in-
structed by Mr. L. R. Andrews,
Johnson, Stokes and Master).

The sole executrix and bene-
ficiary under the will, it was stated
in the course of the application,
(affidavits being read) was Miss
Edith May Fincher.

The will was made on June 1,
1922, sixteen months before the
death of Mr. Young. At the time
it was made, deceased was 3rd.
officer of the s.s. "Hai Hong," the
boat being in the harbour follow-
ing a voyage to China coast ports.

In her affidavit, Miss Fincher
spoke of an engagement between
herself and the deceased which had
lasted until his death. Deceased
had told her that he had intended
to leave his possessions to her. In
this connection a brief extract from
a letter written to her by the de-
ceased was quoted in which he
stated that he had given instruc-
tions for "all that I have stored
by for you" to become hers upon
his decease.

Affidavits were read giving
particulars of the original will hav-
ing been returned to the Registrar
by Johnson, Stokes and Master and
by the Registrar "to the best of
my knowledge and belief" been put
into his safe. When the will was
wanted by Johnson, Stokes and
Master and the Registrar went to
the safe, it could not be found. A
thorough search was made for it
in the office without result, also in
that of Johnson, Stokes and Master.

Communications with all the re-
latives of the deceased had been
made, said Mr. Sheldon, and with
one exception, they all agreed. The
exception was Mrs. Lawrence Craft,
of Lake Terrace, Washington, Seat-
tle. According to the other
members of the family, they had
not heard from her for two years
upon which occasion she had
stated her intention of removing
from that address.

With regard to the mother of the
deceased, (Annie Marshall, widow,
of Singapore) the executrix, and
beneficiary had agreed to make over
part of the estate to her, it was
further stated.

His Lordship noted that this
compromise had been come to and
said that in view of all the cir-
cumstances of the case he would
grant the application for probate
of the copy until such time as the
original might be found.

THIEF TRAPPED.

STEALING GOODS FROM MOTOR CARS.

STATUE SQUARE MENACE.

Through a trap laid by Mr. W. D.
Lambert who parked his motor car
at Statue Square and kept watch
from an office overlooking it, one
of the thieves responsible for steal-
ing tools and other property from
the cars was caught last night.

Mr. Lambert, who watched with
others, saw the thief creep up to
the cars and remove a number of
tools which he deposited under a
bamboo scaffolding at Wardley
Street and came again for more.
The man was caught after he had
made a second haul. Some of the
tools were taken from Mr. T. E.
Jackson's car.

The prosecution pressed for a
severe penalty at the Central
Magistracy this morning and defen-
dant was sentenced to three
months' hard labour.

STEAMER SALE.

No offers were forthcoming for
the steamship "Ling Nam" put up
for public auction by order of the
Court by the Auctioneering and
Brokerage Co., Ltd., at noon to-day.
The sale was withdrawn.

The "Ling Nam" is a Chinese
ship, registered at Canton, of 6,218
tons gross and built at Hamburg.

WHO WAS LIABLE?

AN ARCHITECT-CONTRACTOR PROBLEM.

SUPERVISOR'S CLAIM.

Whether for the work of super-
vising a plot of land, an employee
of a firm of architects could claim
on that firm for payment for the
work or whether the contractors
themselves were liable was the
point at issue in a Summary Court
case this morning.

Mr. James MacPortland, of 10
Mongkok Road, claimed \$550 ar-
rears of salary from the Teungshan
firm of merchants.

In the witness box, Mr.
MacPortland said that he was en-
gaged on work for Raven and
Basto, architects, in 1923. He
left and went to the Hongkong
Engineering Company but "owing
to a trivial dispute" he left and
returned to Raven and Basto.
Last month he received notice of
termination of his agreement with
Raven and Basto owing to the
depression.

Whilst in the employ of
Raven and Basto, continued
Mr. MacPortland, a P.W.D. em-
ployee was killed on a plot of
land in Stubb's Road and the
Coroner made certain remarks
with regard to supervision as a result
of which witness was asked to
supervise this particular plot. The
defendant firm were the contrac-
tors for this work and Raven and
Basto, the architects. Mr. A. R. F.
Raven asked him to supervise the
work in question and on the mat-
ter of cost, Mr. Raven undertook
with the defendants to pay plain-
tiff for visiting the plot, also ex-
penses.

A letter was referred to in which
the defendant firm agreed to the
appointment of Mr. MacPortland
as supervisor. There was no de-
fining statement that the contrac-
tors appointed him, it was pointed
out.

This letter (which was produced
by plaintiff), stated that Mr. Raven
had given to him but this latter
denied in the witness box.

This letter was produced by Mr.
MacPortland's solicitor and Mr.
MacPortland stated that it had
been given him by Mr. Raven. Mr.
Raven denied this in the witness
box. He had shown it to Mr.
MacPortland, he stated, but had
never given it to him. Mr.
MacPortland "must have pinched
it from the office."

In accordance with that letter,
said Mr. MacPortland, he super-
vised the plot in question, acting
under the instructions of Mr.
Raven. When he asked about the
salary he was told that the de-
fendant company had not paid it.
He did not get his salary from them
or from Mr. Raven.

Cross-examined by Mr. L. S.
Turner (for the defendants), Mr.
MacPortland said he had not had
any correspondence with the de-
fendant firm relating to his pay.
He looked upon them as responsible
for its payment, not Mr. Raven.

Mr. Justice Wood: The plaintiff
has said that you, Mr. Raven, con-
tracted between him and the de-
fendant company with regard to this
money.

Witness: No, the only contract
for salary was between our-
selves as architects and the plain-
tiff. He refused to be engaged by
them direct and wanted it to come
from me.

Mr. C. A. S. Russ, (for the plain-
tiff): Who is responsible for the
payment of this money?

Mr. Raven: I am responsible to
pay it. I have paid it except \$50.

Mr. Justice Wood remarked that
he would have to give judgment for
the defendants.

Mr. Russ asked Mr. Turner if he
was going to press for costs.

Mr. Turner remarked that he
thought he must, although he had
not consulted his client. Plaintiff
had sued the wrong person and was
liable.

Judgment for defendants with
costs was given.

COMING WEDDING.

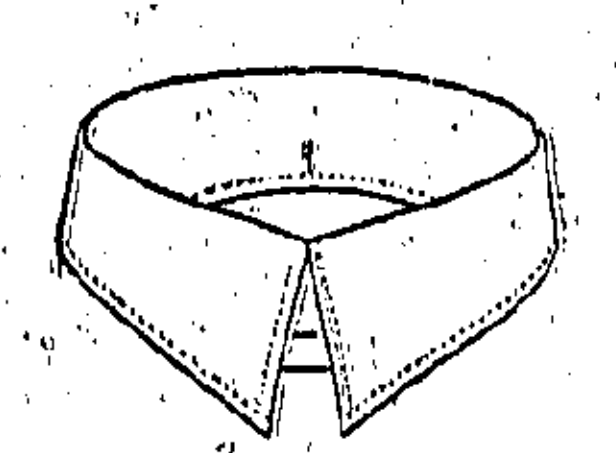
A marriage has been arranged to
take place early in May between
Surgeon-Com. G. P. Adshard, R.N.,
of the Royal Naval Hospital, Hong-
kong, and Miss Olive M. Orme of
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THE WING ON CASE.

WITNESSES THREATENED WITH DEATH.

A NEW DEVELOPMENT.

There was another development yesterday in the case in which three Chinese are charged with an alleged conspiracy to defraud the Wing On Company of \$50,000 when Mr. F. C. Jenkin (for the prosecution) mentioned at the Central Magistracy that a letter had been received by some of the witnesses threatening them with death if they gave evidence in the case.

On Tuesday the second defendant did not appear and his bail of \$20,000 was arrested and a warrant was issued for his arrest. Although counsel thought there had been a misunderstanding and the man was avoiding his creditors, defendant did not appear in the afternoon.

Mr. Elsie Zeitlyn defended the first and Mr. G. K. Hall Brutton the third defendant.

Owing to the threatening letter received by the witnesses, Mr. Jenkin asked leave to take certain evidence earlier in the proceedings and also to add additional charges and proceed with the case against the second defendant on the chance that he may appear at any moment. Mr. Hall Brutton said he could not vouch for that.

The evidence of witnesses was taken. An apprentice fitter at the Naval Dockyard said he worked as a servant at a printing shop in Canton of which he thought the third defendant was a partner. He gave evidence of seeing various labels and chops in the shop bearing the name of the Wing On Company.

Further hearing was adjourned until March 4.

\$30,000 RISE.

BRISK PROPERTY BIDDING.

There was brisk bidding at Messrs. Lamert's auction rooms yesterday for some valuable leasehold property at Mongkokstui. It included half of Kowloon Permanent Pier No. 4 and was knocked down to Mr. Leung Pat-u for \$351,000. There were three bidders and the price rose from the first bid by over \$30,000.

The property disposed of consisted of Sections A, B, and C, and the remaining portion of Kowloon Marine Lot No. 84 with the buildings thereon, and one equal undivided half share of erection and maintenance of Kowloon Permanent Pier No. 4.

The property first described contains a total area of 30,307 square feet, and is held under a Crown Lease of the term of 75 years renewable for a further term of 75 years.

The Crown Rent payable in respect of Sections A, B, and C, and the remaining portion of Kowloon Marine Lot No. 84 is \$832 per annum and in respect of the moiety of Kowloon Permanent Pier No. 4, \$150 per annum.

Opening at \$320,000 with bids of \$1,000 acceptable, the first raise was one of \$5,000 and then with only one bid of \$2,000, the price steadily climbed by \$1,000 stages to \$342,000, at which point a \$1,000 bid was made. After a slight pause, three more \$1,000 bids were made, and another of \$5,000 brought the figure to the round figure of \$350,000. Mr. Leung Pat-u then bid \$1,000 more and there being no increase, he became the new owner at the price stated.

PUPILS' CONCERT.

CATHEDRAL HALL RECITAL.

A number of Mr. F. Mason's pupils gave considerable enjoyment last night to an audience which filled the Cathedral Hall. Mrs. Minney's naturally endowed voice was heard to great advantage in several ambitious offerings, and she scored a great success. Mrs. Bellamy, Miss Ruby Mow Fung, and Miss Pearl Ogilvie also gave evidence of natural aptitude. The instrumental solos and concerted items on the piano were also enjoyed—thanks to Misses W. Robinson, May Ung, P. Gillingham, M. Grose, Elsie Ma, and R. Ponsonby.

A man met a friend who was about to be married. "Let me congratulate you, old man," he said. "Permit me to say that I feel sure you will always look back on this day as the happiest in your life." "Thank you, old chap," said his friend, "but it's to-morrow that I'm to be married." "Yes," answered the other, "I know that."

HOME OF THE JEWS

POPULATION IN PALESTINE INCREASED.

NET GAIN OF 31,000.

(British Wireless Service.)

Rugby, Feb. 24.

It is officially stated that 33,800 Jews (men, women, and children) entered Palestine as immigrants during the twelve months ended December 31.

During the same period 2,140 Jews emigrated from Palestine, so that the net increase of the Jewish population by immigration was 31,660.

RUBBER MARKET.

CABLED QUOTATIONS FROM SINGAPORE.

(By Courtesy of Messrs. Carroll Bros.)

Singapore, Feb. 25.

Raw rubber is now quoted at 95 cents per lb. Quotations are:—

	Straits.
Allenbys	3.25
Alor Gajahs	2.25
Ayer Moleks	2.25
Ayer Panas	12.25
Balgownies	3.95
Bassettis	1.40
Brogas	1.70
Bukit Jelutongs	1.10
Bukit Katils	1.25
Changkat Sordangs	8.00
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INFANT WELFARE.

VACCINATION AGAINST TUBERCULOSIS.

(Havas Agency)

Paris, Feb. 24.

As regards the new vaccine B. C. G., which he invented in co-operation with other physicians in the Pasteur Institute in order to preserve from tuberculosis children born of tuberculous families, Dr. Calmette stated in the Academy of Medicine that out of 1,377 infants vaccinated in the second half of 1924, 7.2 per cent. had died of other than tuberculous maladies, and 0.7 per cent. of tuberculous ones; therefore it appears the vaccine safeguards at least 93 per cent. of the children who without it would have died before the first year.



HENRY CLEWS JR.

Henry Clews Jr. reported missing in Paris, is said to be in a Southern France town with relatives. He disappeared after a fracas in a London drawing room, where it was said he slapped a cigarette from the mouth of a society girl and delivered an oration on blue laws.

AIRMAN'S FEAT.

TRAGIC SEQUEL TO RASH BET.

BURNED TO DEATH.

(Reuter's Service.)

Paris, Feb. 24.

A bet made by the airman Leon Callot with an American that he would fly beneath the Eiffel Tower, span had a tragic ending for the airman, who was a pupil of the Army Aerodrome.

He had accomplished the actual feat when in an attempt to rise the machine became entangled in the aerial of the Wireless Station and dropped like a stone over Champ de Mars.

The machine crashed through a tree to the lawn below, and burst into flames, the pilot being burnt to death in his seat, still gripping the levers. A large crowd, including the airman's brother, witnessed the tragedy.

Contract With a Cinema.

Paris, later.

Witnesses of M. Callot's crash state that the pilot had made a contract with a foreign cinematograph firm to fly twice under the Eiffel Tower, whilst the parachutist was to plunge from the second platform of the tower after the aeroplane's second passage.

A search is now being made for the cinematographer and parachutist, who disappeared after the accident.

RACE TO POLE.

FOUR COUNTRIES TO BE REPRESENTED.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, Feb. 24.

The great air race to the Pole, in which there are five participants, representing four nations, is due to begin shortly. Australia is represented by the explorer, Captain Wilkins; Norway by Amundsen, who is at present in Rome superintending the equipment of the ship "Norge," and the United States by Lieutenants Ogdén and Wade, and Captain Byrd, who was second in command of MacMillan's expedition last year, and whose attempt is promoted by Mr. John D. Rockefeller, junr.

The latest competitor is Russia, whose flight is being planned by the Russian Air-Transport Company of Siberia. Three special all-metal aeroplanes of German design are at present under construction, and will be manned by Russian pilots.

The route will lie via Spitzbergen, from which an attempt will be made to dash to the North Pole, where according to the "Daily Herald," one machine will be abandoned, and its fuel transferred to a remaining machine for the return journey.

CHURCH RIOT.

FIRE HOSE PLAYED ON WORSHIPPERS.

(Reuter's Service.)

Mexico City, Feb. 24.

Four civilians were wounded and the District Chief of Police probably fatally injured in a riot at the Catholic Church of the Sacred Family when gendarmes attempted to disperse worshippers, principally women, who believed the authorities were attempting to close the Church.

The women attacked the gendarmes viciously, and the firemen were called out, and played their hoses upon the demonstrators. This was not effective, and the police then fired a volley into the air, thus ending the trouble, but the women later went in procession to the Ministry of the Interior, where the firemen were again called on to disperse them with hoses.

JAPAN'S NAVY.

REPLACEMENT PROGRAMME DEFERRED.

(Reuter's Service.)

Tokyo, Feb. 24.

The Lower House unanimously passed the Budget. Before passed the Budget, Mr. Takarabe stated that the Naval replacement programme of ¥320,000,000 had not been given up, but postponed, owing to the country's present economic condition.

NOTICES.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY Meeting of the Shareholders in this Corporation will be held at City Hall, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 27th February, 1926, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1925.

The Register of Shares of the Corporation will be closed from MONDAY, the 15th February, to SATURDAY, the 27th February, 1926 (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Court of Directors,
A. H. BARLOW,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 8th February, 1926.

UNION WATERBOAT CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE TWENTY-FIRST ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders will be held in the Offices of Messrs. Dodwell and Company, Limited, on THURSDAY, the 4th March, 1926, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1925.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 25th February to 4th March, 1926, both dates inclusive.

DODWELL & CO., LTD.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, February 19, 1926.

THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTY-SEVENTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING will be held at the Company's Offices, P. and O. Building, on FRIDAY, 12th March, 1926, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December 1925, and electing Directors and Auditor.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from 1st March to 12th March, 1926, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
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Agents.
Hongkong, 23rd February, 1926.

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT CO., LTD.

THE THIRTY SEVENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of the Company will be held at the Offices of the Company St. George's Building, Chater Road Victoria, Hongkong, on WEDNESDAY 17th March, 1926, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ending 31st December 1925, and declaring a Dividend.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be closed from WEDNESDAY, 3rd March 1926, until WEDNESDAY 17th March 1926, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, February 23, 1926.

RACE HOLIDAYS

THE Exchange Banks will open for the transaction of Public Business at 9.30 a.m. on MONDAY, TUESDAY and WEDNESDAY, the 1st, 2nd and 3rd proximo, and close at 12 Noon.

Hongkong, February 24, 1926.

THE CHINA LIGHT & POWER COMPANY, (1913) LIMITED.

WITH reference to the Notice to the Shareholders of this Company dated 29th December, 1925, whereby the Final Call of \$3.00 per share on the New Shares was made payable on 4th March, 1926, instead of 4th January, 1926, the General Managers and Consulting Committee have decided, in view of the conditions prevailing at present, to further extend the time for payment of this Call.

Notice is accordingly hereby given that the date for payment of the Final Call is postponed to 4th June, 1926, and that the Form of Bankers' Receipt already sent to Shareholders can be used as though the date named therein were the 4th June, 1926.

For THE CHINA LIGHT & POWER CO., (1913) LTD.,
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, February 25, 1926.

NOTICES.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

RACE MEETING, 1926.

March 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 6th.

The Stewards request the pleasure of the presence of the Ladies at the Races.
Hongkong, February 12, 1926.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

RACE MEETING, 1926.

March 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 6th.

Members have the privilege of introducing 2 non-members to the Members' Enclosure.

A limited number of tickets are available and may be obtained from Messrs. Linstead & Davis, Alexandra Bldgs. on or before SATURDAY, February 27th, 1926. Price \$10 per day or \$30 for the Meeting.

LINSTAED & DAVIS,
Treasurers.
Hongkong, February 12, 1926.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

RACE MEETING, 1926.

March 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 6th.

Tickets of Admission to the Public Enclosure may be obtained from Messrs. Kelly & Walsh or at the Gate. Price \$3. per day. Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform \$1. per day. No one admitted without a Ticket to be shown to the Ticket Inspector at the Gate.

LINSTAED & DAVIS,
Treasurers.
Hongkong, February 12, 1926.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

RACE MEETING, 1926.

March 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 6th.

Passes for Servants will be issued on application to Messrs. Linstead & Davis, Alexandra Bldgs. No Servants will be allowed inside the Enclosure of the Race Course during Race Days WITHOUT TICKETS.

These Tickets are only available for Servants while in attendance on their employers or when on duty at the various stands. Any persons found loitering about with Servants' Passes in their possession will forfeit them and holders will be removed from the Enclosure.

C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.
Hongkong, February 12, 1926.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

RACE MEETING, 1926.

March 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 6th.

Members' Badges of Admission are now ready, and may be obtained by those Members, who have not already received them, from Messrs. Linstead and Davis, Alexandra Bldgs.

Members are reminded that these Badges will also admit them to all the Extra Race Meetings this year.

C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.
Hongkong, February 12, 1926.

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ANNUAL RACE MEETING 1926.

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C. B. BROWN
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Hongkong, February 23, 1926.

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LEAGUE COUNCIL.

SIR AUSTEN CHAMBERLAIN'S
SPEECH.

TRUE POSITION DISCLOSED.

(British Wireless Service.)

Rugby, Feb. 24.

The Foreign Secretary, Sir Austen Chamberlain, in a speech at Birmingham last night, discussed at some length the question of the future composition of the League of Nations Council. He laid particular emphasis on the value of friendly discussions at Geneva, which so often produced agreement on subjects that were widely expected to provoke acute difficulties, and with this in view he made an appeal that no definite or fixed right course of conduct should be laid down for the representative of the British Empire to take at the forthcoming meeting of the Council of the Assembly. He said the British Government had, in his view, quite rightly reserved its opinion as to the best solution to be evolved, but without considering the individual claims of nations such as Poland, Spain, and Brazil. Sir Austen admitted that an addition to the number of members of the Council was an arguable and defensible proposition, and presently, though not now, was inevitable, if the Council was to be equal to the tasks lying before it.

The Foreign Secretary continued: "We are going to meet at the usual quarterly meeting of the Council to consider whatever business is ripe for discussion and decision. But this meeting is of special consequence because Germany has made her application for membership of the League, and because, as we hope, it will not close without Germany having been not merely admitted to the League, but elected, as is right, for a great nation as Germany is and must always be, to a permanent seat on the Council of the League. That part of our programme I regard as almost a foregone conclusion. To secure that end the Council must be unanimous, but I believe that every State represented on the Council has already expressed its views that Germany ought, on entering the League, to have a permanent seat upon Council, and I have no reason to suppose that in the Assembly, of which the assent of the majority is necessary for the same purpose, that there will be any difficulty in obtaining a majority, or indeed, that there will be any minority."

"But on the occasion of the reconstruction of the Council, which the entry of Germany involves, there has arisen inevitably the question of what the future composition of the Council ought to be. I see people writing and speaking, not in this country alone, but because Germany has entered some other nation must put up a counter-balancing claim—that because Germany was to be admitted some other nation must be brought in to balance Germany. That is not historically true as a description of how the question arises. For quite a long time past we have looked forward to seeing Germany take her place, but even before that became practical politics the question of the composition of the Council was already in debate, and the question of what Powers should have attributed to them a permanent seat was already under discussion."

"For some time past, in view of the fact that we were hoping for and anticipating the entry of Germany, we have carried on the Council from year to year and the Assembly has re-elected temporary members almost as if they too held permanent seats. There was some good reason for the delayed entry into operation of that which it had been intended by the founders of the League should be its regular machinery. Great people they proposed should have a seat permanently. A certain number of seats should be held in rotation by others as they might be selected and elected by the Assembly. But the whole of this machinery has been held up, first from one cause, then from another, finally because we have said one to another, 'Presently there will be a big change, Germany will come in. Germany must have her place, her permanent seat. Then will be the time when it will be convenient to consider the whole of these claims.' 'I lay stress on that point because I think that much of what has been said and written would never have been written nor said if people had realised that this problem has been postponed until the entry of Germany, and had inevitably to be discussed and considered when any alteration was made in the composition of the Council.'"

Continuing, Sir Austen Chamberlain said that if the Council was regarded as a Committee to be packed, he would despair of the League. But the Council, excepting members of quite secondary importance, never and could not act by the majority. "It is only by unanimity that the Council can

proceed, and the idea that it is of any consequence to anybody to try to number the votes beforehand, to create a group or party which shall have a larger number of votes than another group or party is futile and absurd to anybody who understands the practical working of the Council."

Delegates who went to the Council meetings were beyond narrow national interests, but had wide interests which must not be neglected. He did not wish to discuss individual claims, but he desired to put forward a point that had received too little attention and which at any rate "makes an addition of some kind to the number of members of the Council an arguable and defensible proposition, and in my opinion, later, if not at once, an inevitable thing if the Council is to be equal to the tasks that lie before it. In all the network of the Treaty which now governs the relations of European States to one another, we have tried at every point to make the Council of Geneva an arbiter as a last resort when all other means of solution had failed. So much depends upon the moral authority of their decision, and it is something that is recognised by the world and the disputants as authoritative."

No Decision Yet.

Rugby, later.
Sir Austen Chamberlain, Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, stated in the House of Commons to-day that the Government had not yet decided on its course of action in regard to a further increase of the permanent membership of the Council of League Nations beyond the admission of Germany.

Debate in the Lords.

Viscount Cecil, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, at the same time in the House of Lords made an important statement on the subject on behalf of the Government. This was in reply to Lord Parmoor, who represented the late Labour Government on the League Council, and who moved that it was not desirable, on the occasion of the application of Germany for admission to the League and to a permanent seat on the Council in accordance with the Locarno Treaty, to raise the question of the general reconstitution of the Council of the League or further to increase its numbers.

Viscount Cecil said that he recognised that the question was one of great importance, and he hoped that on a future occasion a fuller debate would be possible. He realised the immense importance of the Council to the League. On the working of the Council to a very large extent depended the efficiency of the League. He could not accept the suggestion that it was the entry of Germany to the Council that prompted the desire for the admission of other countries. The question of the admission of other members to permanent seats had been debated for a very long time both in the assembly and in the Council. As the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs had stated in Birmingham yesterday, these questions had rather been postponed, because it was felt that when Germany came into the League and the constitution of the Council was under consideration, then would be the proper time to raise the question of the admission of other members.

Free Hand Desired.

He asked their Lordships most earnestly that the representatives of the British Governments should be left to go to Geneva with reasonably free hands to deal with the matter. It was essential that the Government's representatives should not go with their hands and feet tied by any instructions given them from home, but that certain liberty of action should be left to them to debate the matter honestly and fairly, and to make up their minds after answering arguments. If the question were raised at Geneva at all, it would not be by the British Government. He rejected the suggestion that any member should be added to the Council as a sort of counterpoise to Germany.

Possible Solutions.

Viscount Cecil added that there was a considerable variety of possible solutions to the question raised in the motion, and he could assure the House that the Government would consider most carefully the suggestions which had been put forward, and before the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs went to Geneva the Government would make up its mind as to what line it should take.

Lord Parmoor's motion was withdrawn.

LABOUR VIEWS.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, Feb. 24.

In speaking of his motion in the House of Lords to-day Lord Parmoor reiterated the danger of creating an impression of reconstruction of the Council dictated by the necessity of grouping the Powers and balancing rival interests. He declared that he had read Sir Austen Chamberlain's speech yesterday apprehensively.

He was of the opinion that it was unfair to the other members of the League to raise a matter of such importance at present, and that the question should at first be raised in the Assembly for the public to open the discussion.

Not a Cockpit.

Lord Phillimore, in strongly opposing an increase, said that the Council must not become the cockpit of rival interests. He said that he had been struck by an article in a South African newspaper saying that if it became a cockpit the only thing to do was to keep out of it altogether.

Government's Attitude.

Viscount Cecil, in the course of his reply, said that the Government did not desire to deprive Parliament of the right to express its views. Moreover, the British delegates ought to go to Geneva with instructions. Nevertheless they should be given a certain liberty of action and debate the matter honestly and fairly with other States. He said that the question had not been raised by the British Government but if it were raised at all at the Assembly it would be raised by others, and Great Britain could not tell other co-members that they had no right to raise a question which they were perfectly justified in raising.

Viscount Cecil agreed that the balancing of rival interests would be disastrous to the Council. He assured the House that no action of the British Government would be dictated by distrust or suspicion of any nation. He deprecated the kind of language used in some countries regarding what might happen if this or that were not done. "That is no way to approach the League problems."

At Locarno.

London, Feb. 24.
In the House of Commons, asked if the extension of the membership of the Council of the League beyond Germany's admission was discussed at Locarno, Sir Austen Chamberlain replied in the negative. He said that the Powers represented at Locarno who were members of the Council had already expressed their willingness to support the election of Germany to a permanent seat, but no question had been raised as regards the claims of other Powers. He never heard it suggested then, or earlier, that the agreement to support Germany implied an agreement to oppose every other change.

A Denial.

London, Feb. 24.
In the House of Commons, Mr. G. A. Ponsonby (Labour, Brighton) asked whether Sir Austen Chamberlain was able to inform the House of the attitude he had been instructed to adopt at the forthcoming meeting of the Council of the League of Nations on the subject of the further increase of the permanent membership of the Council beyond the admission of Germany.

Sir A. Chamberlain replied that the Government had not yet decided its course of action. He denied that an extraordinary session of the Council of the League had been called to deal exclusively with the question of the admission of Germany.

Little Eddy was very fond of nursery rhymes. "Mother," he said one day, "why didn't the man put up a notice 'Keep off the grass'?" "Then," he wouldn't have been so cruel to the poor maiden."

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"KALYAN"	8,344	13th Mar.	Moji, Kobe and Yokohama
"DEVANHA"	8,105	16th Mar.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"DEUTA"	8,097	20th Mar.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"NAGINA"	8,351	24th Mar.	Kobe
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"TANDA"	8,359	24th April	Moji, Kobe and Yokohama
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"MANTUA"	10,908	18th May	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"KASHMIR"	8,105	21st May	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
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DO THEY COLLECT FREIGHT
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INTERESTING CASE.

An interesting point relating to
the practice of shipping agents was
heard in the Summary Court yester-
day afternoon.

A. P. Moller, Copenhagen ship
owner, the plaintiff, was represent-
ed by Mr. T. G. Bennett (Johnson
Stokes and Master) and Mr. M. H.
Turner (Deacon's) represented
Thoresen and Co., the defendants.

Argument centred round a cable
despatched by the ship owner to
defendants offering them the agency
for the s.s. "Sally Mearns" in
the following terms: "Offer you
agency, 'Sally Mearns', Swatow,
Amoy, dollars hundred and fifty."

The defendants, on arrival of
the ship, collected freight charges
on a two per cent. basis and it
was the return of the additional
sum involved (\$800.00) which the
ship owner sued for. He claimed
that the defendants had gone out-
side the powers specified in the
contract and were entitled to claim
entrance and clearance fees only.

The case for the defendants was
that the collection of freight was
outside the contract but that as
agents they were entitled to collect.
Evidence could be called with re-
gard to usage and custom carried
on by shippers in such instances.
The whole question was the real
intention of the parties under a
mercantile contract.

The case was adjourned.

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(British Wireless Service).

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16 - N.Y.E. Hakone Maru

27 - O.P.S. Empress of Asia

28 - J.C.L. Titaroom

1 - T.R.K. Islay Maru

1 - B.F. Pres. Wilson

FROM SINGAPORE.

Feb. 27 - K.P.M. Van Ooststraten

28 - B.F. Calchas

Mar. 1 - B.F. Ajax

2 - B.F. Saopodon

3 - B.F. Macdon

14 - B.F. Dione

15 - B.F. Medelaus

20 - B.F. Patroclus

30 - B.F. Adrastus

11 - B.F. Meriones

15 - B.F. Lycan

FROM MANILA.

Feb. 16 - S.L. Pres. Tait

Mar. 3 - J.P.A. Empress of Asia

4 - A.O.L. Pres. Jefferson

17 - O.L. Pres. Wilson

18 - E. & A. Arctura

16 - O.P.S. Empress of Canada

16 - S.L. Pres. Lincoln

20 - B.F. Empress of Russia

FROM CALCUTTA.

Feb. 21 - B.L. Shirala

Mar. 3 - J.C.L. Titaroom

7 - J.C.L. Titaroom

FROM JAPAN.

Feb. 26 - N.Y.E. Hakone Maru

27 - O.P.S. Empress of Asia

Mar. 1 - T.R.K. Islay Maru

1 - B.F. Pres. Wilson

4 - S.L. Shirala

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Mar. 3 - N.Y.E. Iyo Maru

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June 11 - E. & A. Arctura

On Pacific ...

FROM LIVERPOOL.

Mar. 6 - B. & S. Saopodon

20 - B. & S. Patroclus

FROM EUROPEAN PORTS.

Feb. 26 - N.Y.E. Hakone Maru

27 - N.Y.E. Derflinger

Mar. 1 - J.C.L. Titaroom

16 - N.Y.E. Iyo Maru

28 - N.Y.E. Fushimi Maru

Apr. 3 - J.C.L. Titaroom

FROM MANILA.

Mar. 2 - M. M. Andre Lebon

17 - M. M. Paul Lecat

31 - M. M. Amboise

Apr. 12 - M. M. Anzora

27 - M. M. Amzore

FROM HAMBURG.

Feb. 28 - N. L. Derflinger

Mar. 27 - N. L. Trier

Apr. 24 - N. L. Saarbruecken

May 22 - N. L. Coblenz

June 19 - N. L. Anshel

FROM COPENHAGEN.

Mar. 16 - E. A. Aki

Apr. 20 - E. A. Jar

MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

The P. & O. s.s. "Khyber" from

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Feb. 21 at 6 a.m.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of

Russia" from Hongkong on Feb. 8

arrived at Vancouver on Feb. 22.

The B. L. s.s. "Shirala" left

Singapore for this port on Feb. 19

at p.m. and is due here to-day.

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Hongkong, Thursday, Feb. 25, 1926.

WAIFS AND STRAYS.

During the Lenten season, the Cathedral devotes the self-sacrificing offerings it receives to the little-known, but very excellent Society for helping Waifs and Strays. Waifs and strays! There is a poignancy about these words which drive the meaning of them home as nothing else but the sight of young human derelicts can. It comes with increased force and meaning when the cold wind of recent days makes the warmth of fires so doubly welcome; and when attention is drawn to the splendid work of the Hongkong Benevolent Society which looks after waifs and strays of an older growth. There may be little or no poverty in Hongkong. What there is seems to be well hidden. On the foreign side it possibly does not exist; and it is only by a study of the necessarily private reports of the Benevolent Society that we can realise the want which affects numbers who become stranded here and have no power of themselves to help themselves. Of the Chinese side of the question there is probably little to indicate what the exact position of affairs is, and how it is to be regarded. These beggar people, for instance. The idea of beggar guilds affronts the good taste of normally charitable people. Making a business of poverty and doing well out of it, is not in keeping with charitable thoughts. So, when we read that so many beggars have been deported to "another place," the news is taken as one of those things of life out here which must be accepted as it is, and which is being dealt with in the only manner possible in all the circumstance of difference of thought and outlook. But there is another class of waif and stray to which the mind, at this cold season of the year instinctively turns. More often than not, the existence of this class is thrust upon our notice by the sight of things which

we faint would order differently, were it in our power to do so. It is no compliment to our boasted civilisation—be it Chinese or foreign—to see, as can be seen any night in Hongkong, bundles of humanity seeking repose in doorways, alleyways, and on sidewalks, covered only by some piece of dirty matting—seeking this repose in spite of rain and cold. It is disturbing. The one bright spot about this social sore, is that others are disturbed about the existence of this problem. We know that there are those—Chinese let it be said—who, without ostentation, seek to alleviate hardship by such things as the distribution of blankets. We believe there is a tendency to regard this particular problem as insoluble—that, probably it is mixed up with the shifting nature of the work which this class of derelict does. It may be so. But we cannot get away from the fact that the problem does not seem to have been seriously tackled. We are not much concerned as to whose duty it is to give it attention; but we can point out that here is another matter on which Chinese and foreigner can find a common interest of unity.

COMMUNISM.

ACTIVITIES IN GREAT BRITAIN.

NOT A FAVOURABLE FIELD.

(British Wireless Service.)

Rugby, Feb. 24.
Sir Austen Chamberlain's attention was drawn in the House of Commons to a speech made by M. Zinoviev at the recent Communist International Conference, in which he (M. Zinoviev) urged an intensification of communist activities in this country. With the object of promoting the revolutionary overthrow of the present constitutional system of government.

Sir Austen Chamberlain said that he did not gather that M. Zinoviev's animosity at the existing organisation of society in this country was any stronger than his dislike for conditions prevailing in all other civilised countries, nor could he bring himself readily to believe that our people afforded a favourable field for propaganda of this character.

LABOUR COUNTESS.

GIVES AWAY HER COUNTRY HOUSE.

TRADE UNION'S WINDFALL.

(British Wireless Service.)

Rugby, Feb. 24.
The Countess of Warwick, who has long been associated with the Labour movement, to-day handed over Easton Lodge, her country house in Essex with 900 acres of land, to the Labour Party for use as a trade union centre.
The Trade Union Congress, in thanking the Countess, declared that her magnificent gift would be devoted to the progress and development of the Trade Union movement on educational lines.

HOUSE COLLAPSE.

DEATH OVERTAKES OPIUM SMOKERS.

TWO MEN KILLED.

A tragic fate overtook a number of Chinese who had used as a private opium den an unoccupied house at Cheung Sha Wan on the route to Castle Peak.

Rendered still more dangerous by the recent rains, the building collapsed at 8.30 p.m. yesterday while the illicit opium smokers were congregated on the upper floor.

One man is reported to have extricated himself and bolted from the scene. Four others were partly buried in the ruins and were rescued by the Fire Brigade. They were taken to the Kwong Wah Hospital, but two of them succumbed to their injuries.

The work of searching the ruins for more victims was proceeding this morning.

CORRESPONDENCE.

IF—

(To the Editor of the China Mail.)

Sir,—I presume I am expected to accept the letter of your correspondent on this subject, as an apology. So be it; one soon learns not to expect much in this part of the world.

As regards the question of my experiences, which certainly seem to have aroused a lot more interest than I, as a modest and retiring kind of man, care to contemplate, it is difficult for me to enlarge on them in public in such a way as to bring all the story vividly before the eyes of the public. It is seldom, in these prosaic times, that anyone meets with an adventure that savours, almost, of the days of the Magic Carpet, and naturally I hesitate to lay myself open to a charge of out-doing Baron Munchausen.

A few sympathetic friends have however stood by me when certain low fellows of the baser sort descended to jeering at my story—which, be it noted, has been extracted from me piecemeal, and by no means with my willing consent. These friends assure me that it is actually my duty, and only in keeping with a promise I made previously—and I am very sorry I did make it now—to give the true version of my extraordinary experience in public. That being so I have completed all arrangements with a few of my comrades connected with me in this affair—who by a purely fortuitous chance happen to be in Hongkong at present—consisting of my wife and brother, the lady who might have been my wife, and others, together with the kind assistance of several more Hongkong people who are good enough to help me out owing to the great interest they take in the business.

I have arranged to hold a series of public performances at the Theatre Royal starting on Tuesday next at 3.15 p.m. when I shall publicly explain with every aid that Art and Science can lend, all the experiences that follow from the moment I accepted the gift from Ali of a Jade Charm. The scenes vary between London and Persia, to avoid appearing too egotistical, I have arranged some wonderful dancing and music.

Now that I have screwed myself up to the pitch like this, I hope that the public will honour me with their company. If after they have heard all I have to say, they still think that I am a romance—which is a much milder term than any I have heard used—I shall shake the dust of Hongkong off my feet with no regrets, and return to where I can find a little human appreciation.

Yours, etc.,

JOHN BEAL.

Hongkong, February 25.

HORTICULTURISTS, PLEASE NOTE.

(To the Editor of the China Mail.)

Sir,—May I take the liberty of asking you to mention that as the entries for the Flower Show close at 1 o'clock next Monday, March 1, it is hoped that all those interested in horticulture will devote a part of this week-end in shuffling up their gardens with a view to sending in as many entries as possible. If there is any reasonable doubt as to whether any particular exhibit will be ready or good enough for the Show on March 1, intending exhibitors should certainly enter same remembering that one week of fine weather can make all the difference to a garden.

Yours, etc.,

E. B. C. HORNELL,

Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong Horticultural Society.
Hongkong, Feb. 25.

SHREDS AND PATCHES.

There must be quite a number of people who remember JAMES number who remember CANTLIE Dr. James Cantlie—friend of the late

Dr. Sun Yat-sen—who spent many years in Hongkong—and of Dr. Manson. In an introduction to a recent book Dr. Cantlie tells how he came to practise in Hongkong.

One day in the Christmas holidays of 1886 he says, my friend, Dr. John Mitchell Bruce, asked me if I could help him to find a doctor who could take the place of a great man who wished to return from the tropics. We knew of many young men, and discussed scores of those who might prove suitable. None, however, seemed quite to fit the situation, and we gave it up in despair.

Bruce, of course, knew the man who was writing home, but he would give me no clue of his identity, nor tell me where he lived. I was then a teacher of anatomy at Charing Cross Hospital, where I had been lecturing seventeen years for a salary of £75 a year.

"Well, Bruce," I said, "many a man I have taught and put on the road to success is now driving his carriage in London and earning a livelihood ten times as big as mine. I don't see why I should not have a try for it myself. Where is it?"

Bruce would not tell me. "Well," I said, "we'll leave out Mars. If it is Australia, New Zealand, India, the Cape or America north or south, I am not going. But if it is Mackie's practice in Alexandria or Manson's practice in Hongkong I am going."

"It is not Mackie's practice, but Manson's," Bruce replied.

"Good, I will go," I answered.

"But how are you going to live?" he said.

"That does not trouble me," I replied, and half an hour later we wired to Manson: "Will Cantlie do?"

Twenty-four hours later

THE ONE came back the reply, I

WORD was the one word

"Yes." That was the

only communication that passed

between us, and in the month of

June, 1887, I was in Hongkong.

No financial arrangements were

made and no stipulations set

forth, and thus I found myself

the partner of the great man I

had never previously met nor

spoken to in my life. Deliberately

I avoided the topic of

money, and it was three months

before we discussed it, and I

knew what I was to receive. Our

association, started in this

strange way, continued right up

to Manson's death.

The outbreak of plague in

Hongkong in the nineties found

me in Vladivostok. The plague

hospital was built of bamboo

and palm, and had twenty-five

beds.

"Since you have been here,

eleven patients have died," the

doctor said.

In a short time all were dead.

Another twenty-five plague

patients were brought in

LITERATURE IN SCHOOLS.

Ever since the school began to take modern languages seriously there has been searching of heart among the pedagogues as to what French and German books should be read in class. It was not unnecessary. Some of us (says the "Daily Telegraph") can remember being set down to volumes of elegant extracts from authors whose works we have never met since. There were, when Plancus was Consul, schools in which certain innocuous tales of the late M. Zola were chosen by an inscrutable Providence as the best introduction to French literature. Stalky and his young friends, it is recorded, had to wander through the sands of the "Roman d'un Jeune Homme Pauvre." Many generations since Major Pendennis was a child have been fed upon the edifying pages of "Télémaque." In the learning of German the works of Schiller, verse and prose, used to loom so large that he seemed to be the only German author. They have changed all that, or most of it, but even yet the headmasters cannot rest and be thankful. Mr. H. Nicholson has been telling their assembled Conference that much of the stuff which is being read in modern languages is merely amusing and of no high literary value. He demands that every book chosen should be first rate; not only should it be good literature, but it should deal with the history, art, and social conditions of the country whose language they were studying. This is hard saying. What is "first rate?" The world has agreed to consider certain things

in the grand style, the "Inferno,"

for instance, and "King Lear," as

the supreme achievement of the

human mind in literature. But

it is not every language which has

an Aeschylus, a Dante, a Shake-

speare. Perhaps Mr. Nicholson

asks only that whatever is read

should be first rate of its kind.

This is itself a sound and suffi-

ciently practical principle. But

we do not know how to reconcile

it with the condition that the book

must deal with "history, art, and

social conditions." This would

let in almost any good novel, but

seems to exclude most of the best

poetry. Whether Ronsard is

writing a ballad or Racine a

tragedy, their verses have nothing

to say about social conditions or

history, or any art but their own.

There are, of course, schemes of

education which would condemn

such poetry. Dr. Arnold never

wanted to read poems the sub-

jects of which seemed to him

undignified. But though a school-

master must in the nature of

things act on the assumption that

he is always right, he had better

not erect his private taste into a

universal law. The most difficult

problems in the choice of foreign

books for class reading are not in

excluding whatever is not valu-

able. The riches of those modern

languages which are taught in

schools are ample. But to choose

such books as will rouse and

stimulate children's interest

in reading, while providing such

mental exercise and discipline as

their minds need and a store of

knowledge and thoughts which

will endure—this is none too easy

in a world of unequal brains.

OUR TRAMS.

(Continued from Page 1.)

"This burden, however, is more than offset by the much higher maintenance and depreciation charges in respect of motor-buses—not to mention the extra cost of power."

"This brief review would be incomplete if I failed to add that where roads are sufficiently wide the best form of urban passenger transport is undoubtedly the separate track system of tramways where a portion of the centre of the road is fenced off and the rails laid on wooden sleepers (except at street crossings). With this system we attain the three greatest desiderata, viz., safety, speed and, what is most important, silence."

"Further, capital cost is much reduced due to the absence of either concrete or street paving; ordinary traffic is never impeded owing to the road being up for track repairs; and, finally, police traffic control is much simplified as a result of the introduction of one-way travel for all vehicular traffic on the two carriageways."

Last Year's Earnings.

"Our earnings last year were considerably affected by the strike which commenced on June 20 and for nine days not a tram left the depot. But, on June 30 a service of 5 cars manned by Europeans in the employ of the Company was commenced and this subsequently augmented by volunteers who rendered excellent service and I now wish to avail myself of this opportunity to tender our hearty thanks to all those who assisted us during this period. In August we were able to resume a normal service but earnings have not yet returned to the record level reached during the first half of the year. But I feel sure shareholders will be glad to hear that in the three days over China New Year our earnings this year amounted to \$19,900 which though less than in 1925 is some \$1,800 more than in the previous year."

"The policy of keeping the rolling stock absolutely up-to-date has been continued. It will be remembered that all cars about the middle of 1923 had canvas top covers. During the two following years these were gradually replaced by wooden top covers. We now have gone a stage further and vestibule top covers are being fitted. These have become very popular, affording as they do complete protection in cold and wet weather."

"Six new cars will be put into service very shortly. These will have a new type of truck with a longer wheel-base and should provide very comfortable riding. In order to secure more room for third class passengers the lower saloon on these cars will be extended and the first class passenger accommodation will be limited to the upper saloon. A wider staircase will be provided and the motorman will have a small compartment all to himself."

"During the year an important road improvement was carried out on Praya East at Bowrington Bridge which was too narrow to permit of a satisfactory double track. The bridge has now been widened and the rails relaid with the proper clearway and two foot-paths added to the bridge. The whole of the cost of this work has had to be borne by the Company but we have the satisfaction of knowing that our action in this matter is appreciated by every class of vehicle driver who uses Praya East."

"Unfortunately very little headway has been made with the doubling of the track between Causeway Bay and Shaukiwan but the P.W.D. is now making progress with the cutting between Quarry Bay and Cornhill and it is hoped to have the trams running on this new road within the next few months. It will be a great relief to abandon the tortuous section of track on the sea side of the Tai Koo Club where there is constant risk of collision with motor vehicles round blind corners and on a steep gradient."

Government Tenders.
"Twice during the year we tendered for the exclusive right to maintain a motor omnibus service between Mongkok (Kowloon) and Un Long (New Territories) but on neither occasion did the Government accept any tender."

"Turning now to the accounts, you will recollect that at this time last year resolutions were passed increasing the nominal capital of the Company to \$3,250,000 by the issue to shareholders of 325,000 additional shares of \$5 each fully paid as a capitalised bonus out of reserve. This was duly carried into effect—the new scrip being issued in March last—and is set out accordingly in the present balance sheet."

"A new item appears in the assets this year under the head 'House Property'. This represents the value of residential property owned by the Company and is

shown separately from the general fixed assets of the undertaking with which it had been previously included."

"It will be noticed that the amount written off 'Tramway Undertaking' has been increased to \$34,000. This, in addition to the usual \$22,000 against goodwill, is an amount of \$12,000 from certain construction costs of a capital nature at the inception of the undertaking which the Board considers should be written off over a period of years."

"In 1924, while reviewing the accounts for 1923 I referred to certain taxation claims made by the Inland Revenue authorities against the Hongkong Tramway Co., Ltd.—the old company—in respect of the years 1922 and 1923, (when liquidation was commenced upon the formation of our present company). Provisions were made for these claims which were in dispute. Negotiations in the matter continued until June last when a sum of \$113,053.20 was paid in final settlement of all liability and you will see the surplus balance of the fund set aside, viz., \$17,044.11, has been credited back to the Profit & Loss A/c."

"I do not think there is anything further that calls for comment and I now beg to propose that the report and statement of accounts for the year ended December 31, 1925, be and the same are hereby adopted. When this has been seconded I shall be pleased to answer to the best of my ability any questions which shareholders may wish to ask."

The Attendance.
Supporting the chairman were the Hon. Sir Paul Chater, the Very Rev. Fr. L. Robert, Mr. A. H. Compton, Mr. Lo Cheung-shiu (directors), Mr. L. C. F. Bellamy (general manager) and Mr. W. F. Simmons (secretary)."

"Shareholders present comprised Messrs.—G. W. Sewell, G. H. Wilson, J. D. Kinnaird, A. Denison, Frank Austin, W. E. van Eps, H. Ruttonjee, J. E. Joseph, O. F. Kitchell, A. A. Alves, O. F. Ribeiro, Ho Leung, See Kon-chi, Lee Coo, Lo Man-hin, Ting Kim-kwong, M. Currie, and Captain B. R. Branch."

No question was put. Mr. Denison seconded and the motion was passed unanimously."

Other matters carried unanimously were:—
Sanction of the final dividend of 60 cents per share as recommended by the Board—proposed by the chairman, seconded by Captain Branch."

Election of Mr. Bernard as director and re-election of Sir Paul Chater and Sir Robert Ho Tung (retiring directors)—proposed by Mr. Sewell, seconded by Mr. Currie."

Appointment of Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews as auditors for the current year at a fee of \$1,500—proposed by Mr. Ho Leung, seconded by Mr. Wilson.
Dividend warrants are now ready and can be had on application."

COUNCIL MEETING.

AMENDED AGENDA.

For the meeting of the Legislative Council to-morrow at 9.30 a.m., the agenda has been amended as follows:—

Jurors List for 1926.
Resolution.—Resolved by the Legislative Council that the percentage on the valuation of tenements payable as rates for tenements in Stanley shall be 8½ per cent. as from the date fixed by His Excellency the Governor for the coming into effect of this resolution, that is to say, the 1st day of April, 1926."

Resolution.—Resolved that it is desirable that legislation be introduced, as a temporary measure of relief, in order to enable refunds of rates to be made in respect of vacant portions of tenements in certain cases."

Second reading of the Bill intitled an Ordinance to authorise the preparation of an edition of the regulations, rules and by-laws in force in the Colony on December 31, 1925."

Second reading of the Bill intitled an Ordinance to amend the Magistrates Ordinance, 1890."

A gang of seven armed men, five with revolvers, took money and jewellery to the value of \$931 in a robbery at a contractor's flat at Shaukiwan at midnight on Tuesday."

N.E. winds, fresh; overcast, some drizzle or mist, is the forecast for the twenty-four hours ending at noon to-morrow. A fresh monsoon may be expected along the S.E. coast of China and over the China Sea."

A motor bus parked at the Ma Tau Kok garage of the Kai Tak Motor Bus Company caught fire yesterday and was partly destroyed. The Brigade arrived in time to prevent the flames from spreading to the other vehicles."

GERMANY'S ENTRY.

CONSTERNATION CAUSED IN BERLIN.

"DRAMATIC INCIDENTS?"

(Reuter's Service.)

Berlin, Feb. 24.

Nothing short of consternation describes the reception given by the Berlin Press to Sir Austen Chamberlain's speech, from which they deduce the certainty of Great Britain supporting the French argument at Geneva and emphatically assert that if Dr. Luther (Chancellor) and Dr. Stresemann (Foreign Minister) are confronted with a fait accompli in the form of an extended Council, Germany will unhesitatingly withdraw her application for admittance to the League."

According to several papers, which are anticipating "dramatic incidents" at Geneva, Germany will not object to discussing the question of enlargement after she has become a member of the Council as at present constituted, but she will strongly object to entering a different Council from that which existed when she applied for membership."

The Tagliche Rundschau, which is generally Dr. Stresemann's mouthpiece, says that France and Britain can do as they like, but if they persist in the intention of extending the Council they will have to dispense with Germany's participation."

Government Calm.

On the other hand Government circles in no way betray similar perturbation. They are credited with being confident that everything will proceed smoothly, that Germany alone will be given a seat on the Council, and that further reconstruction will not be settled before the September session when Germany will be ready to discuss the question in a spirit of conciliation."

French Tribute to Foreign Secretary.

Paris, Feb. 24.

"A great Englishman, a great European" is the description given by the Gaulois of Sir Austen Chamberlain, with reference to his speech at Birmingham, which adds he did not mention Poland by name, but indicated sufficiently clearly Poland's paradoxical position if she is excluded from a seat on the Council in which Germany has a permanent seat. "The speech's tour de force is in perfect harmony with the spirit of the League, and we hope its purport is duly appreciated by Germany and a certain section of the British Press. The most satisfactory feature of the speech is its clear indication of the complete harmony between M. Briand and Sir Austen Chamberlain, which is a good augury that the Locarno dream, will not be altogether a dream."

IMMIGRATION LAWS.

SEQUEL TO THE CATHCART CASE.

RECIPROCITY SUGGESTED.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, Feb. 24.

In the House of Commons, Sir Austen Chamberlain, Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, was spiritedly cross-examined during questions suggesting reciprocity between the American and British immigration regulations; and asking whether he would negotiate with a view to securing that American Consuls' visas be the final authority for British subjects to enter the United States, or whether he would consider the expediency of reprisals."

The Conservatives dwelt on the need for reprisals."

The Labourites asserted that all the trouble was due to the fact that the American Government treated rich and poor alike. There would have been no questions if ordinary members of society instead of aristocrats were concerned in the recent cases in New York."

Sir Austen Chamberlain, in replying said: "I do not think that we wisely undertake to dictate to the people of the United States as regards their laws."

SINGAPORE BASE.

NOT AFFECTED BY NAVAL ECONOMIES.

WORK TO GO ON.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, Feb. 24.

In the House of Commons, Major S. Hore-Belisha (Liberal Devonport) asked whether in view of the economies made in the strength of the fleet, it was still proposed to continue the expenditure on the Singapore Base."

Mr. W. C. Bridgman, First Lord of the Admiralty, replied in the affirmative."

NOT PRACTICABLE.

SUGGESTION FOR IMPERIAL CONFERENCE.

LABOUR REBUFF.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, Feb. 24.

In the House of Commons, during questions, Mr. Stanley Baldwin, Prime Minister, said that the suggestion that the Imperial Conference should not be confined to representatives of the parties territorially in office, which his predecessor (Mr. Ramsay MacDonald) had submitted to the Dominions' Prime Ministers, had not been supported by himself and he did not consider that it was practicable."

FORGED NOTES.

RESULT OF HUNGARIAN ENQUIRY.

NOT POLITICAL AFFAIR.

(Reuter's Service.)

Budapest, Feb. 24.

The report of the Parliamentary Committee which has been investigating the forgeries of French bank notes has concluded, regarding the political aspect of the affair, that neither the Government nor any member of the National Assembly was in any way connected with the crime, which the Government has done its utmost to clear up."

SALE OF ANTIQUES.

LEVERHULME COLLECTION PRICES.

(Reuter's American Service.)

New York, Feb. 24.

Pewter ware, chandeliers, rugs, and small pieces of furniture, which were included in the items of the Leverhulme collection, sold today fetched a total of \$43,917. The total realised up to now is well over a million dollars."

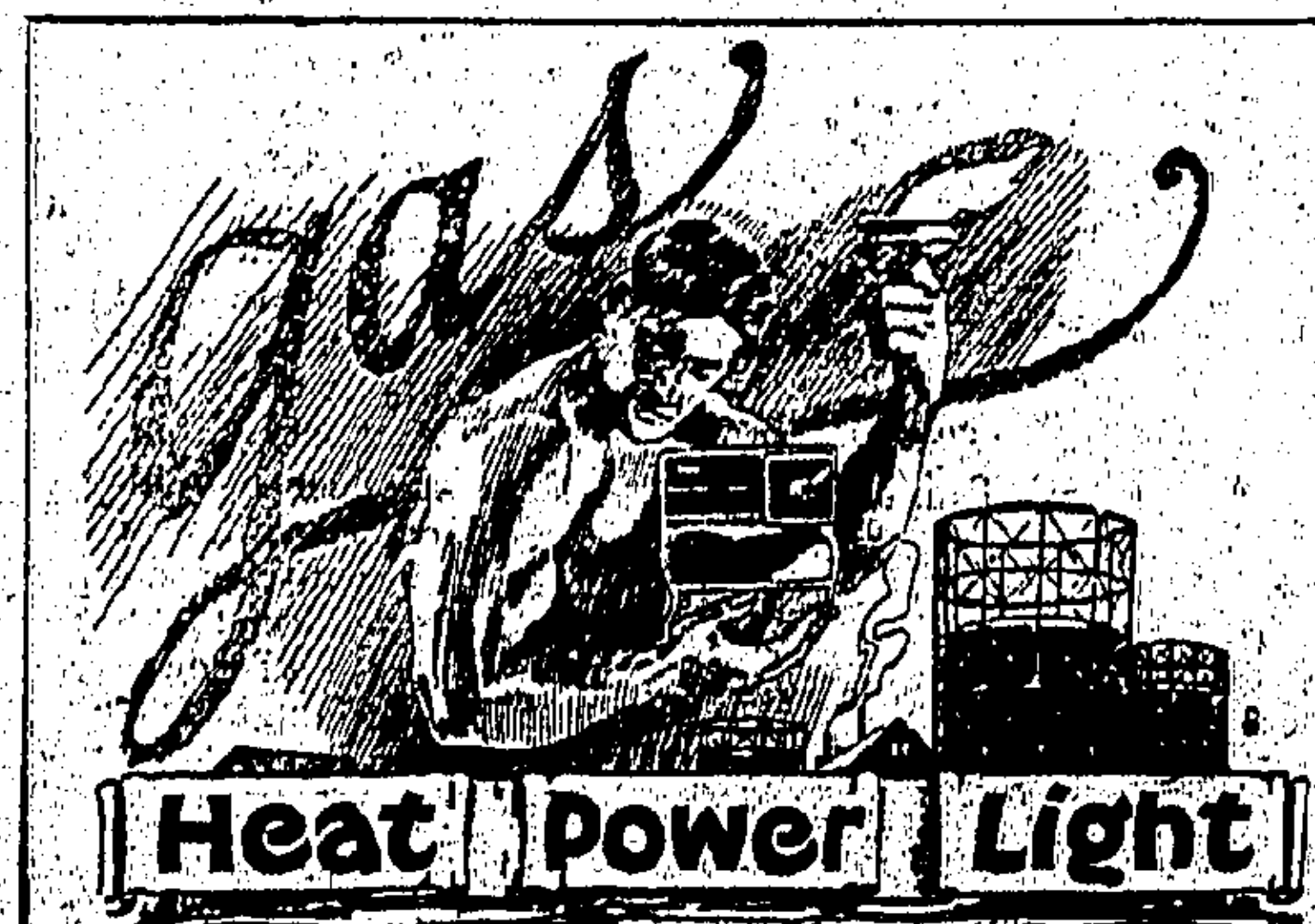
CHINESE Y.M.C.A.

DEBUT OF AMATEUR DRAMATIC CLUB.

The Amateur Dramatic Club of the Chinese Y.M.C.A., 70-71, Bridges Street, Hongkong, will make its formal debut to the public to-morrow (Friday) evening, at 7.30 o'clock, to be followed by another performance on Saturday evening."

The Club has been in existence for more than two years and has assisted a number of charitable and Church organisations. Lately its talent has been much strengthened and, through their friends, the members have been able to add new stage scenery to the Club property. The work of the last two years has earned for the Club a word, name amongst the Chinese community, and its performance to-morrow evening should be welcomed by a host of well-wishers."

Mr. Hin Wong, formerly Chairman of the Boys' Work Committee of the Canton Y.M.C.A. and Scout Commissioner for Kwangtung, has kindly consented to perform the ceremony of raising the curtain on the stage to-morrow evening."



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CONFLICT BETWEEN TWO CHAMBERS.

"PAYMENTS" TAX.

(Reuter's Service.)

Paris, Feb. 24.

The Senate has begun the debate on the Government's financial measures, including the provisions rejected by the Chamber of Deputies, which afford five milliards francs necessary to cover the Budget deficit."

The result of the Senate debate is a foregone conclusion as the Government demands will be voted, but interest centres on the attitude of the Chamber when the Bill returns in a couple of days."

The conflict will especially rage round the "payments" tax which is the corner stone of the Government's project. Attempts to reach a compromise between the two Chambers have so far failed."

SPANISH FLIGHT.

(Reuter's American Service.)

Monte Video, Feb. 24.

Captain Franco, the Spanish airman, has arrived here from Buenos Aires."

WISE MAHARAJAH.

DECIDES ON COUNCIL OF REGENCY.

ECHO OF BOMBAY SENSATION.

(Reuter's Service.)

Bombay, Feb. 24.

According to the "Evening News" the Maharajah of Indore has made representations to the Viceroy of India suggesting that he should spend two years in England, during which the administration of the State will be handed over to a Council of Regency approved by the Indian Government."

The Maharajah, it is alleged, is prepared to compensate for the loss and damage caused to British subjects by natives of Indore and to hand over the Military and Police Departments with a view to their reformation and administration by European officers approved by the Indian Government."

U.S. TAXATION.

APPROVAL OF REDUCTION BILL.

(Reuter's American Service.)

Washington, Feb. 24.

The Senate has approved by 61 votes to 10 of the tax reduction providing \$378,000,000 for next year's taxation. The Bill now goes to the President."

A collision took place yesterday between a tram car and a motor lorry on the Shaukiwan Road, near the Tai Koo Sugar Refinery. The front part of the lorry was smashed. No persons were injured."

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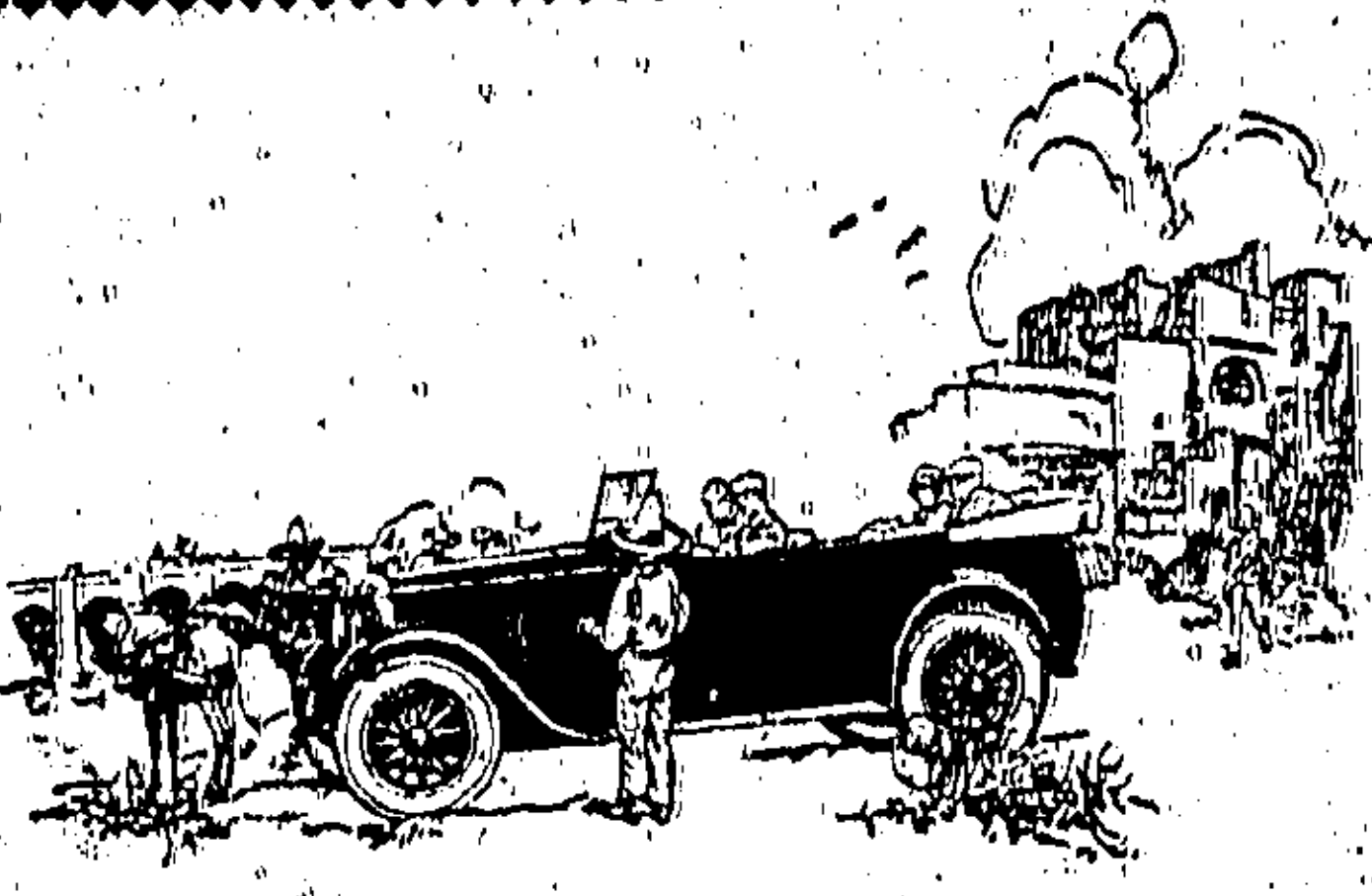
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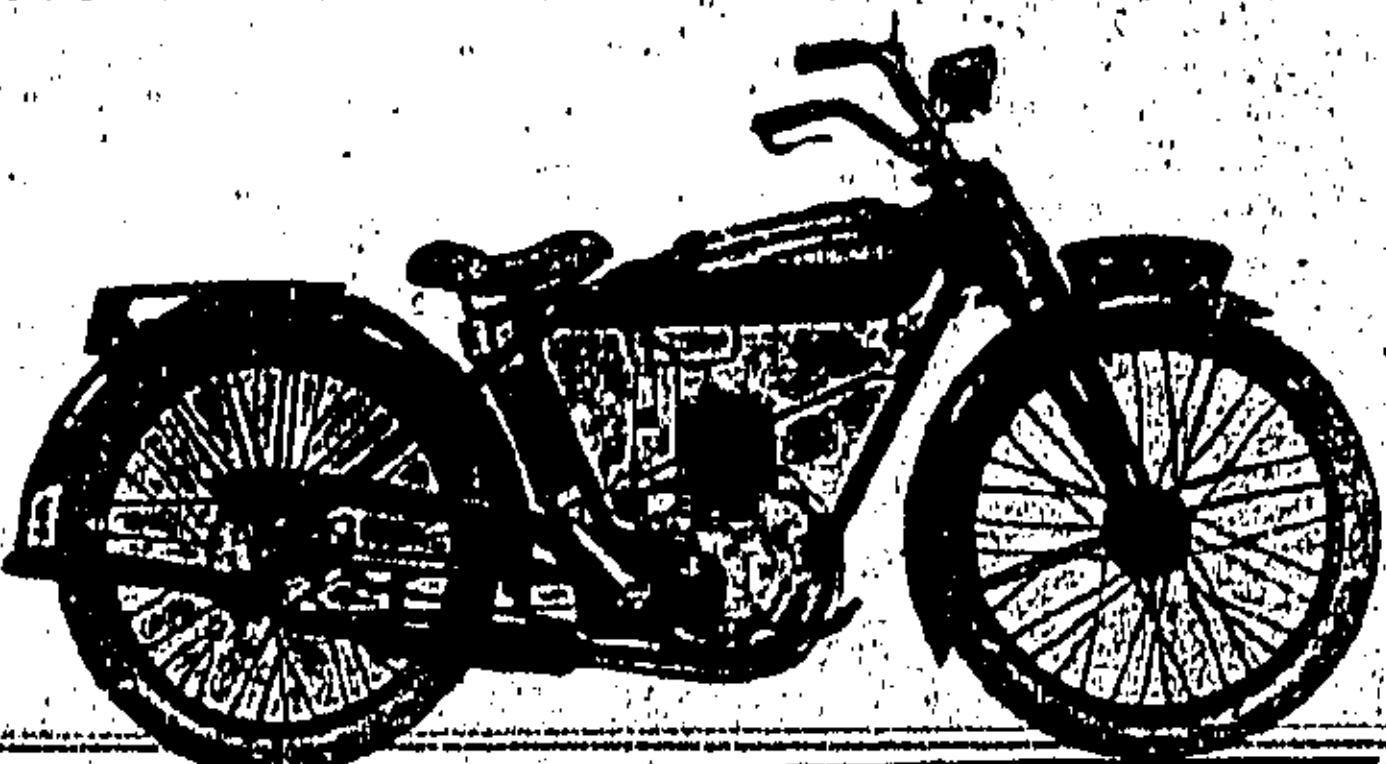
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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Only one case of cerebro-spinal fever was notified on Tuesday, the patient being Chinese.

The seventh conference of the Japan Medical Society will be held for five days commencing April 1, at the Imperial University of Tokyo.

Indicating economic prosperity and financial stability of the non-Christian inhabitants of the Philippines, brought about by the rapid development of agriculture and other industries, revenue collections in all provinces under the jurisdiction of the bureau of non-Christian tribes last year recorded nearly 100 per cent. increase over collections in preceding years, according to Director Hidrosello of the bureau of non-Christian tribes.

A "United Press" telegram to a contemporary says that the women of England in general are not in favour of women police. The chief objection is that the women have no power to arrest a malefactor, and that if a girl is molested and wants protection, all she can do is to file a complaint with a woman bobby, whereas a policeman can handle things much more expeditiously and make an arrest if the situation calls for it. British women—or rather the National Council of Women—suggest that there is nothing to be gained by injecting sex antagonism into a situation which is difficult at best.

One woman tumbling over backward on an ascending escalator at the Tottenham court London subway station knocked down the entire thirty-four persons behind her, and they fell with precision, each one toppling over the person on the step below. In a few seconds the whole thirty-five were heaped in a scrambling mass at the foot of the stairs and only the fortunate alacrity of the guard in stopping the escalator prevented more serious results. Thirteen persons, either fainted or were injured, but only one had to be taken to the hospital. The others were bruised, kicked or sprained and had their clothes torn.

Plans have been made to provision the refuge huts in the Dora Thal Alps (Tyrol) by means of aeroplanes in the coming summer, the coarser provisions being dropped, while more delicate objects will be released with parachutes.

City of Paris police statistics for 1925 state that during the year there were 165 murders, an increase of thirty-nine as compared with the previous year, 487 automobile thefts, against 269 in 1924, and important housebreaking robberies numbered 222, against 192 for 1924. There were made 11,844 arrests, including 1921 foreigners. Foreigners figured during 1925 in dealings with Paris police to a proportion of 14 per cent. against 10 per cent. in 1922. In the way of automobile mishaps there were 3,566, with 348 death and 3,212 injured.

Following upon a recent breakdown of the Turbo Generator at the Dah Poong Ching Kue Cotton Mill, the Chapoi Electricity & Waterworks Company, in conjunction with the Shanghai Municipal Electricity Department, effected a creditable piece of work. Supply was given and the spindles were able to run again within 6 days from the date negotiations were commenced. The Dah Poong Ching Kue Cotton Mill is one of the largest mills in the Chapoi area. The foregoing brings forward one of the many advantages the Central Power Station possesses over the isolated plant.

An amusing story of a boy's revenge, that led to a valuable discovery, was told by Sir William Bruxar at the Royal Institution. A famous scientist friend of his, said Sir William, when a boy of eight, had been annoyed by his little sister on the eve of her birthday party. Conceiving a deep scheme of revenge, he crept into the cellar where jellies for the feast were "setting," and poured vinegar into each jar, "to give it a nasty flavour." Next day the jellies had not set, and in after years the scientist realised that he had made the discovery that glucose matter will not solidify if acid is added.

Outgoing British Air Mail traffic during 1925 showed a big increase. The total weight of letter mails rose to 15,520lb., and that of the parcel mails on the whole of the Continental services to 50,000lb.

The Cameroons, under French mandate, is menaced by serious internal troubles in consequence of the increase in the cost of wives. In pre-war days the native purchased a wife for about 700 francs. To-day the cost is more than 5,000 francs and this increase is considered excessive.

The discovery of a synagogue built in Roman times on the Sea of Galilee was announced by officials of the Palestine Exploration Fund, who believe it to be the one referred to by Luke as having been built by the centurion whose servant was healed by Christ. It was found on the site of Telhum, which probably was the Biblical Capernaum. Two Roman eagles on the keystone and other architectural features bear out the supposition that it was built by the Romans.

A Jiji Yokohama dispatch states: The Messageries Maritimes has announced a novel plan for the round-the-world tour by instalments. The steamship company proposes that its big ships shall travel between Europe, China, Japan, and America in 150 days, and each passenger is to pay to the concern the total expense of \$650 in three years' instalments of \$16.58 per month. The scheme is looked on with interest by rival companies.

Bananas have become popular as a training food with British football players. Professional trainers of athletes have come out in favour of the banana, on account of the readiness with which it is digested and the fact that it contains a higher percentage of calories than most other fruits. Football players want to avoid any risk of "stomach" but during cold weather they want to be sure that whatever they eat will contain as many heat units as possible.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

The Koba Amateur Dramatic Club produced "Lord Richard in the Pantry" on Thursday and Friday last.

Mrs. R. E. Lindsell, Mr. W. R. Mansfield, and Mr. and Mrs. C. L. C. Sanders left London for Hongkong in the "Devanha" on the 12th instant.

Mr. F. J. Elser of Baguio states that he can hear the Shanghai concert and other radio programmes with as much facility as he is able to get local Philippine Island stations.

Cables received in Shanghai state that Mr. J. Harold Dollar, Vice-President of the Dollar Company shipping and lumber interests, had successfully undergone an operation in a San Francisco hospital.

A short address was delivered by Mr. Henry Morgenthau, former United States ambassador to Turkey and later to Mexico, before a large gathering of Jewish residents of Manila at Emil Temple. When introduced as a prominent Jew by Mr. Julius A. Wilson after the regular services, Mr. Morgenthau emphatically stated that he was first of all an American. He dwelt upon the opportunities afforded Jews the world over by the United States and hoped Jewish residents in the Philippines would avail themselves of those opportunities. Morgenthau named several Jews, prominent in the world, who rose to that prominence by availing themselves of the liberal and open handed policy of the United States.

The death took place on the morning of January 17, of the Rev. Walter Nalsh, sometime Chaplain of All Saints' Koba. Mr. Nalsh collapsed at Bexley railway station, and died in a few minutes. It is supposed that he had hurried to catch the train, and that the exertion, combined with the cold weather, had proved too much for him. He was 75 years of age. Mr. Nalsh was a great traveller, and there were few considerable tracts of the civilised world that he had not visited. Age did not diminish his zest for travel, and after leaving Koba he went to Australia and other fresh fields. With all this he was very methodical and kept a diary of daily happenings for some half-century. In Koba he was indefatigable in his duties and was held in great respect. Much regret will be felt at the news that he is no more.

Mr. F. A. Percy returned to the Colony by the "President Jefferson" on Tuesday.

Mrs. J. T. Smalley is due to arrive in the Colony in the "Mores" which left London on January 29.

An interesting announcement appears in this issue regarding the sixth annual re-union dinner of the Queens College Old Boys' Association on March 13.

Mr. C. R. Zeiminger, editor of the "Manila Bulletin," is leaving next month for a six months holiday in the States. Mr. Roy C. Bennett will occupy the editorial chair in his absence.

Sixty-eight years' continuous service, not only with the same firm, but in the same department, is the remarkable record of John Milward, aged 78, an employee of Messrs. Ward, Sturt and Sharp, hosiery manufacturers, at their Belper (Derbyshire) factory. Milward joined the firm in 1857 at the age of 10, and is still in active employment. Employees of the Belper factory are noteworthy for their long service, for 26 of them (including three women) have been with the firm for 40 years or more, and seven have passed half a century at the factory.



COL. JOHN COOLIDGE

Colonel John Coolidge, father of the U.S. President, has lost use of his right leg, due to paralysis. Due to his advanced age his condition is causing worry.

Mr. John Wanamaker has offered a handsome silver cup for the best score made by golfers on the "Empress of Canada" during the cruise. A number of passengers on board have formed an Around the World Golfing Club, and when in Shanghai recently were the guests of the Kiangwan Club.

Christmas bathing was revived at Bath. Mixed bathing parties revelled in the hot mineral water baths, indulging in a fashion that had lapsed from the 18th century until recent years. The bathing began on Boxing Day, when the snow lay outside, continued all week. Mixed bathing was the vogue at Bath in the 17th century, as Pepys and caricaturists of the period testify.

Duty amounting to about £280,000 is payable under the will of Mr. Thomas Robine Bolitho, of Trengwainton, Madron, near Penzance, Cornwall, who left £256,137. Mr. Bolitho, who died aged 85, was a banker, and for nearly 60 years Master of the Western Foxhounds. He left many legacies to charities, friends, and servants, including:—

£1,000 to his groom, Charles Dale, "for long and faithful service."
£500 to "my good gardener," James Creek.
£250 each to his huntsman, Thomas Davies, and his former cook, Sarah Triggs.
To each executor he left £2,000.

To commemorate the Prince of Wales's visit to the Spanish-speaking South American countries, it is proposed to endow a Department of Spanish at his old University, Oxford. The Lord Mayor of London appeals for contributions to the sum of £25,000 required, and these may be sent to the hon. treasurer, Lord Asquith, 5, Cadogan-gardens, London, S.W.3; or to "Oxford Chair of Spanish Fund," c/o Messrs. Child and Co.'s branch of Messrs. Glyn, Mill and Co., 1, Fleet-street, E.C. In a letter to the Lord Mayor, the Prince wrote:—

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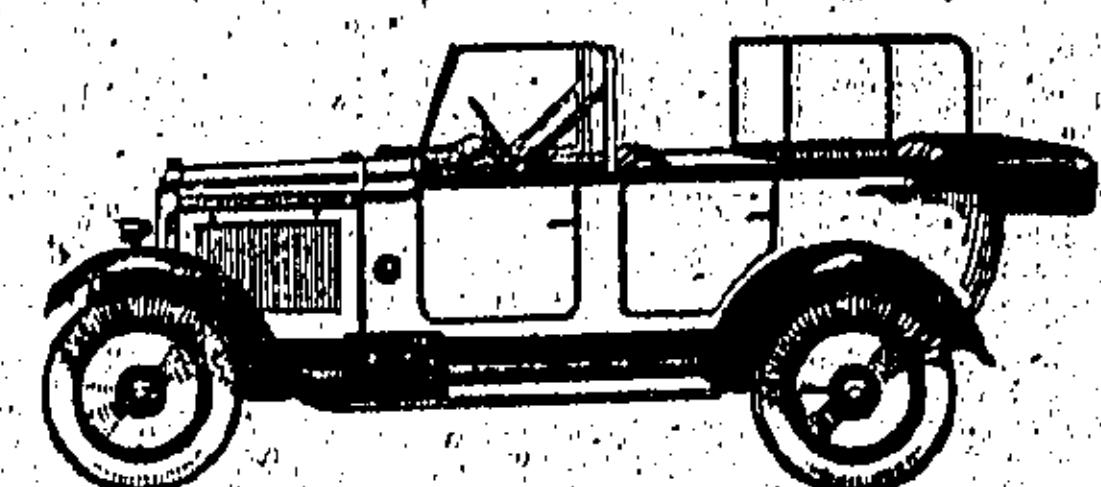
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Name.	Hongkong Stock Exchange.	Hongkong Sharebrokers Association.	China & East Asia
T.T. on London	2/4 1/4	2/4 1/4	2 1/4
T.T. on Shanghai	78 1/4	78 1/4	nom.
Banks.			
Hongkong Bank	105 1/2 b.	106 0 b.	\$106 0 b.
do. London	£120 n.	—	£128 n.
Chartered Bank	£21 1/2 n.	£21 n.	—
Mercantile Bank, A. & E. do. C.	£20 1/2 n.	£20 1/2 n.	—
do. C.	£17 1/2 n.	£17 1/2 n.	—
do. O. Bank	£20 1/2 n.	£20 1/2 n.	—
Bank of East Asia	\$85 n.	\$72 sa.	\$73 s.
Marine Insurance.			
Canton Insurance	395 b.	600 b.	\$ 600 s.
China Underwriters	2 s.	2 30 n.	1 80 b.
North China Insurance	T 145 n.	T 140 n.	—
Union Insurance	268 b.	270 b.	\$269 b.
Yankee Insurance	43 b.	42 1/2 b.	—
Fire Insurance.			
China Fire Insurance	164 b.	165 b.	—
H.K. Fire Insurance	530 b.	540 b.	525 b.
Shipping.			
Douglases	30 s.	25 b. 28 s.	26 s.
Hongkong Steamboats	20 n.	19 1/4 b. 21 s.	21 s.
H.K. Tugs & Lighters	1 s.	4 n.	3 s.
Indo-China (Pref.)	38 n.	30 n.	37 n.
do. (Def.) Ltd.	50 s.	—	50 s.
do. (S.) Hk.	—	45 n.	—
Oriental Navigation	250 n.	250 n.	—
Shell Transports	92 1/2 b.	97 1/2 b.	95 1/2 n.
Star Ferries	\$5 b. 56 sa.	55 b.	\$55 b.
Water-boats	16 b.	16 s.	16 b.
Refineries.			
China Sugars	27 b.	27 b.	28 b.
Malacca Sugars	39 n.	35 n.	50 n.
Mining.			
Benguet	1 1/2 n.	—	—
Kailan Mining Ad.	47 1/2 b.	47 1/2 n.	47 1/2 n.
Kailan (Combined)	23 b.	T 23 b.	T 23 b.
do. (Single)	12 n.	12 n.	—
Shanghai Exploration	5 s.	5 n.	—
Shanghai Loan	7 s.	7 n.	—
Raubis	5 s.	5 s.	6 s.
Croton Mines	55 1/4 n.	55 1/4 n.	—
Jural Caspian	8 1/2 n.	—	—
Docks, Wharves Godowns, &c.			
H.K. & K. Wharves	\$116 b. Ex div	116 b. Ex div	\$115 b.
H.K. & W. Docks	54 n.	55 b. 55 1/4 sa.	54 b.
Hongkew	T165 b.	—	165 b.
New Engineerings	7 n.	T 7 n.	694 b.
Shanghai Docks	107 s.	108 s.	100 b.
Lands, Hotels & Bldgs.			
H.K. & S. Hotels (old)	\$83 1/4 b.	9 n.	9 b.
do. (new)	—	—	—
Hongkong Lands	63 1/2 b. 64 sa.	64 b. & sa.	64 1/2 b.
H.K. Realty	5 s. 4 sa.	5 1/4 n.	5 1/2 n.
H.K. Territorials	6 n.	6 1/2 s.	6 s.
Humphreys Estates	12 1/2 b.	12 1/2 b.	12 b.
Princes Building	120 s.	110 s.	—
Rural Lands	7 s.	—	—
Cotton Mills.			
Fwo Cottons	T 9 10 b.	T 9 b. 9 1/4 s.	T 9 b.
Oriental	3 n.	2 1/4 b. 3 s.	3 s.
Shanghai Cottons (old)	54 b.	54 s.	55 s.
do. (new)	28 b.	27 s.	27 s.
Miscellaneous.			
Canton Ices	\$7 1/2 n.	\$7 s.	\$ 7 s.
Cements (comb.)	14 n.	14 n.	13 s.
do. (old)	12 n.	12 n.	10 1/2 s.
do. (new)	25 s.	3 n.	2 1/2 s.
China Buses	T 10 1/2 b.	—	—
China Lights (comb.)	14 1/2 b.	15 b.	14 1/2 b.
do. (old)	11 1/2 b.	11 1/2 b.	11 b.
do. (new)	8 b.	7 1/4 b.	7 b.
China Prov. (comb.)	—	8 s.	—
do. (old)	7 s.	—	7 1/4 s. & sa.
do. (new)	—	—	—
Dairy Farms	15 3/4 b.	15 1/2 b.	16 s.
Der A Wing (full pd.)	10 n.	8 s.	—
do. (part pd.)	—	—	—
Hongkong Amusements	11 1/2 b.	11 b.	—
H.K. Constructions	3 10 b.	3 b.	3 s.
Hongkong Electrics	56 b.	56 1/2 b. 56 40	56 b.
H.K. Developments	25 cts n.	24 cts b. [sa.]	cts 25 s.
H.K. Ropes (comb.)	37 s.	—	40 s.
do. (old)	13 n.	13 1/2 s.	14 n.
do. (new)	8 n.	8 1/2 s.	8 1/2 n.
Hongkong Tramways	22 1/2 b. & sa.	22 60 b. 22 1/2	22 1/2 b.
Lane, Crawford	12 n.	11 1/2 s. [22 60]	12 s.
Macao Electric	49 n.	— [sa.]	—
MacKintosh	21 1/2 n.	—	—
Nanyang Tobaccos	—	12 1/2 b.	—
Peak Trams (old)	17 1/4 b.	17 b.	17 s.
do. (new)	7 n.	8 n.	9 s.
Sinceres	11 s.	10 n.	9 1/2 b.
Singapore Trams	—	8 1/2	—
Taxis	4 s.	3 s.	2 1/2 s.
United Asbestos	20 n.	—	—
do. (Founders)	—	600 n.	—
do. (Ordinary)	—	18 n.	—
Watsons (old)	12 s.	12 s.	12 s.

Fire Insurances.				
China Fire Insurance...	165	b.	165	b.
H.K. Fire Insurance	530	b.	540	b.
Shipping.				
Douglases				
Hongkong Steamboats ..	20	s.	25 b. 28 s.	26 s.
H.K. Tung & Link	20	n.	10 1/2 b. 21 s.	21 s.

Indo-Chinas (Pref.)	31	s.	4	n.	31	s.
do. (Def.) L/d	30	s.	—	—	37	n.
do. (Def.) L/d	50	s.	—	—	50	s.
do. (Def.) L/d	—	—	45	n.	—	—
Oriental Navigation	250	n.	250	n.	—	—
Shell Transports	92/6	b.	92/6	n.	95/1	n.
Star Ferries	\$5 b. \$6 sa	b.	55	b.	\$55	b.
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do. (new)	83½	b.	9	b.	9	b.
Hongkong Lands	63½ b. 64 sa		64 b. & sa.		64½	b.
H.K. Realty	5½ s. 4 sa		54	n.	5½	n.
H.K. Territorials	6	n.	6½	s.	6	s.
Humphreys Estates	12	b.	12½	b.	12	b.
Princes Building	120	s.	110	s.	—	
Rural Lands	7	s.	—		—	
Cotton Mills.						
Two Cottons	T 1010	b.	T 9½ s.		T 9	b.
Oriental	3	n.	2½ b. 3 s.		3	s.
Shanghai Cottons (old)	3	n.	54	s.	5	s.

do.	(new)	24	b.	34	s.	27	s.
		28	b.				s.
Miscellaneous.							
Canton Ice							
Cements (comb.)		\$7½	n.	\$7	s.	\$ 7	s.
do. (old)		14	n.	14	n.	13	s.
do. (new)		12	n.	12	n.	10½	s.
China Buses		2½	n.	3	n.	2½	s.
China Lights (comb.)		T 10½	b.	—		—	
do. (old)		14½	b.	15	b.	14½	b.
do. (new)		11½	b.	11½	b.	11	b.
China Prov. (comb.)		8	b.	7½	b.	7	b.
do. (old)		—		8	s.	—	
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do. (part pd.)		10	n.	8	s.	—	
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H.K. Construction	11½	b.	11	b.		
Hongkong Electric	3.10	b.			3½	s.
H.K. Developments	56	b.	56½	b.	56 40	56
H.K. Ropes (comb.)	25 cts	n.	24 cts.	b. (sa.)	40	cts 25
do. (old)	3	s.			40	b.
do. (new)	13	n.	13½	s.	14	n.
Hongkong Tramways	8	n.	8½	s.	8½	n.
Lane, Crawfords	22½	b. & sa.	22 50	b.	22½	b.
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Pearl Trams (old)	17½	b.	17	b.	17	s.	—
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Sinceres	11	s.	10	n.	9½	b.	—
Singapore Trams	—	—	8½	n.	—	—	—
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do. (Founders)	—	600	n.	—
do. (Ordinary)	—	18	n.	—
Watsons (old)	12 s.	12	s.	12 s.
do. (new)	12 s.	—	—	—
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R. S. W. Paterson, S. B. Spillett, not passed the prescribed examinations. It is understood that H. F. Harper, H. F. Westlake, both expect to qualify before the C. C. K. Hawkins, F. E. Booker, F. O. Haynes, enter Varsity match, which is to be played at Burnham in March.

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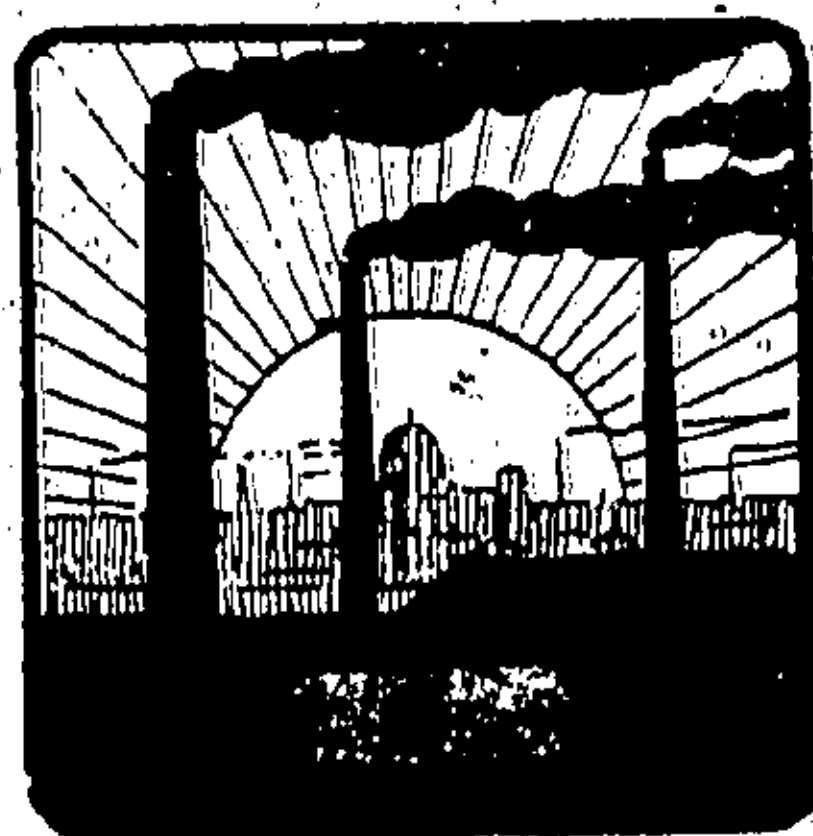
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Official Washington turned out in ceremonial wear for the New Year's reception at White House. The Navy delegation was headed by Assistant Secretary of Navy Robinson and Admiral Eberle.



AT LAKE PLACID

These girls demonstrated that the female of the species is more hardy than the male. They appeared in these costumes on the toboggan slide at Lake Placid. Left to right:—Dorothy Norris, Thelda Konwin, Iris Grey.



Major General William H. Hart, Quartermaster General of the U.S. Army, who died suddenly at Washington.



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Irving Berlin who eloped with Ellin Mackay, an heiress.



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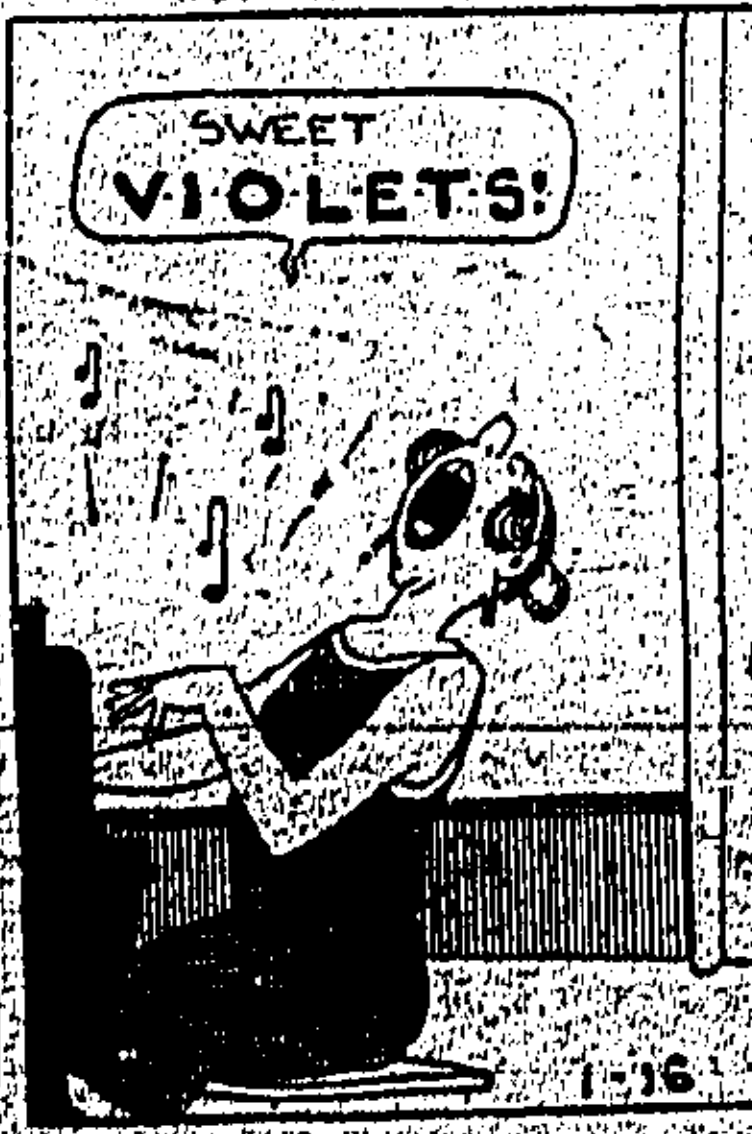
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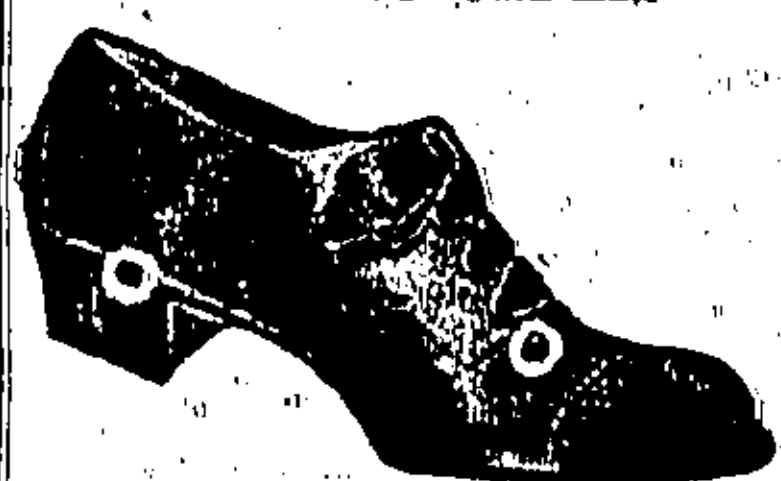
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LUCRATIVE BUSINESS.

Too rich in humour to be passed
over is the following, which ap-
pears in the "Peking and Tientsin
Times" of February 13:

PROSPECTUS.

The Bias Bay Piracy Company Ltd.
(Incorporated under the Hongkong
Ordinances)

Capital \$50,000 (Hongkong Cur-
rency) divided into five thousand
shares of \$10 each, of which four
thousand are now offered for pub-
lic subscription, payable \$2.50 on
application, and \$7.50 on allotment.

This Company is being formed
for the purpose of taking over the
lucrative business hitherto carried
on by various private concerns
with their head offices on Mount
Hewitt, in Bias Bay.

All the concerns which are being
taken over have recently been
doing a most lucrative business.
It is estimated that the expenses of
the new Company will be extremely
low, and the profits extremely
high. Apart from allowances to
the dependants of any of the Com-
pany's employees who may fall into
the hands of the Shanghai Mixed
Courts, no salaries are payable,
the employees all being perfectly
satisfied to work upon a commis-
sion basis. The amalgamation of
the present private enterprises will
eliminate overlapping, and the
waste caused by rival institutions
covering the same ground (or
water). With the recent increase
in business, and the proposed
amalgamation, it is reasonable to
expect enormous expansion in the
future. The travelling population
(foreigners and Chinese) is con-
stantly increasing, as also is the
movement of bullion and other
valuable by sea, and no falling off
is to be expected while the Govern-
ment Railways remain in the hands
of the Militarists.

The services of the most experi-
enced of the Bias Bay Chiefs have
been engaged as Managing Direc-
tor, and the Board will include a
number of Bolshevik agitators,
Kuomintang extremists, and
Tuchuns, all of whom can be relied
upon to do their utmost to further
the objects of the new Company.

The books of the two principal
private companies for the past
three months, show that the total
turnover amounted to \$120,000 in
cash, in addition to large quantities
of valuables, including silks, furs,
watches, jewellery, etc. These
form the proceeds of the seizures of
the ships "Tungchow," and "Jade."
After making liberal provision for
commission for the Company's em-
ployees, and for the reserve fund
for the pensioning of orphans and
widows of deceased pirates (whether
they meet with a violent death, or
succumb from natural causes) it is
estimated that these two ventures
alone produced a net profit of
\$50,000. The Directors are con-
fident that even more lucrative
business can be done in the near
future, and that the economies

suggested by the amalgamation of
competing interests will produce an
even higher percentage of profit on
every venture. The assets of the
new Company consist of goodwill,
which is valued at \$10,000; firearms
and ammunition stocks (\$10,000);
opium stores, \$3,000; one Chinese
gunboat, book value \$17,500; and
Pension Fund \$5,500.

In addition to the Board of Direc-
tors an Advisory Committee has
been formed, which will include
Comrade Borodin (who is an expert
on the subject of China's Sovereign
Rights); a Prominent Missionary
(yet to be selected) who is con-
vinced that everything that China
does is right, and everything that
any foreigner does is wrong; the
Chairman of the local Students'
Union through whom arrangements
can be made for the disposal of
British or Japanese goods, which
might otherwise be boycotted; and
a Brazilian Chinese, who will
manage the Company's Bias Bay
Casino.

In addition to piracy, ordinary
and extraordinary, the Company
will as opportunity offers, engage
in other potentially lucrative busi-
nesses. It intends, for instance,
to promote a system of anti-piracy in-
surance under which payment of a
substantial fee will render the
persons or property insured
immune from search or seizure.
Holders of these special Bias Bay
policies, even if they find themselves
on a pirated vessel, will be treated
with every possible consideration.
It is confidently expected that
Foreign and Chinese Banks will
avail themselves of these policies
for the protection of shipments of
bullion.

The Company also believes that
there is lucrative business to be
done in kidnapping and in the sale
of arms and opium.

Part of the new Capital will be
used "to erect a commodious
Hotel for the accommodation of
kidnapped passengers, equipped
with a modern crenatorium and
other conveniences."

Being incorporated in Hongkong
the Company comes under British
protection, and will have nothing
to fear from the British Navy.

Shareholders will receive a
monthly list of seizures by the
Company's employees, together with
a price-list of articles for sale,
which will be marked down to far
below their market value. Register-
ed shareholders will perpetually
enjoy all the immunities in respect
both of their persons and prop-
erties, which are granted under the
Bias Bay Insurance scheme.

The Company has obtained the
services of a fuel expert, who will
report from time to time upon the
suitability of various kinds of
cargo as a substitute for coal, in
the event of the bunkers running
low.

The following documents may be
inspected in the original, at the
Company's temporary Head Office:
Agreements between the Suian,
Tungchow, and Jade Piracy Com-
panies transferring all their in-
terests, goodwill, plant, etc. to the
new Company.

Articles of Association:
Agreements with Comrade
Borodin, the aggressive Missionary,
the Student Leader, and the
Brazilian Chinese, already referred to;

Proposed forms of protest against
the infringement of China's Sovereign
rights in Bias Bay, to be used
if and when required.

Proposed form of Bias Bay In-
surance Policy.
In the event of any person apply-
ing for more shares than can be
allotted any excess payment upon
application over shares allotted,
shall be returned to such person as
soon as possible, without interest.

Further information regarding
the Company may be obtained, and
certified copies of the above docu-
ments may be seen, on application
to our local representative, Mr.
Taikoo F. Isher, Tungchow Road,
Tientsin.

A famous barrister was examin-
ing a witness whom he had reason
to suspect of deliberate perjury.
At length, becoming impatient,
he asked the witness very impress-
ively—

"Do you know the nature of an
oath, sir?"

"I do."

"Are you not aware, sir, that
you are commanded in the Bible
not to bear false witness against
thy neighbour?"

"I am; but I'm not bearin' false
witness agin him. I'm bearin' false
witness for him."

In reference to the exchange of
trees between Tokyo and London—
cherry trees for oaks—the "Man-
chester Guardian" remarks: "This
is more than a mere exchange of
growing timber, for the cherry-
tree has been rightly called 'the
soul of Japan,' and if the oak is
not the very heart of England, then
John Evelyn was wrong when in
praise of the oak he wrote in his
"Sylvia" nearly 300 years ago: So
precious was the (stem of it [the
oak] that of old there was an ex-
press law of the Twelve Tables con-
cerning the very gathering of the
acorns though they should be
found fallen into another man's
ground."

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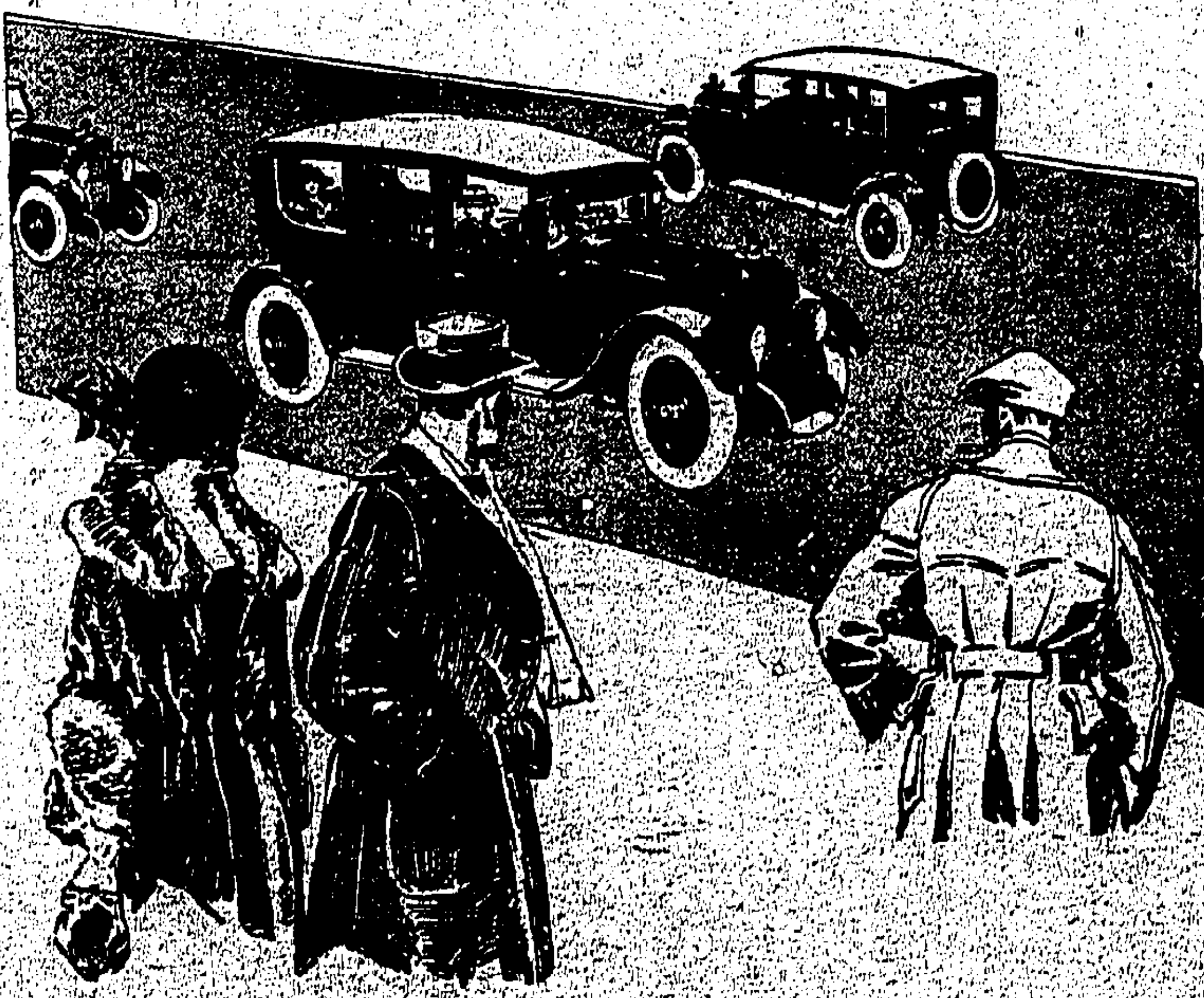
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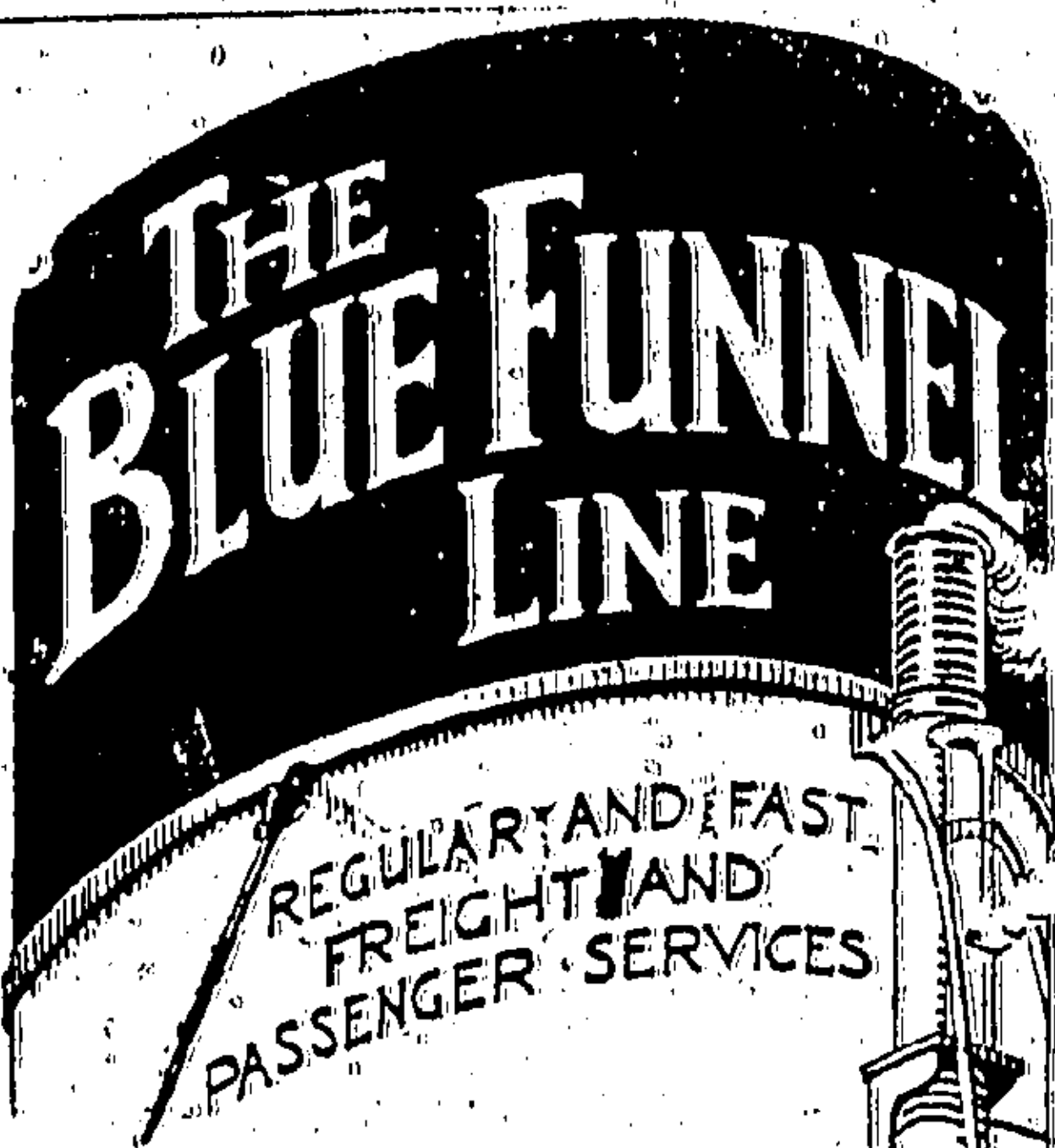
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SUNDAY, MARCH 1.

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U.S.A. Honolulu Japan and Shanghai Pros. Wilson
Manila Pros. Jefferson

THURSDAY, MARCH 4.

Shanghai Mantau

FRIDAY, MARCH 5.

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OWING to circumstances over which the Committee have no control, it has been decided not to hold the Annual Dinner this year. Members are requested to meet at the Cenotaph at 10.50 a.m. on March 1st.

For The Committee:

DAVID E. EVANS,
Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, February 25, 1926.

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CIVIL SERVICE C.

THE Draw for the Derby sweepstakes will take place at the Club-house, Happy Valley at 6 p.m. on MONDAY, March 1st. Tickets not valid for 2nd draw will be cancelled.

R. S. VERGETTE,
Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, February 24, 1926.

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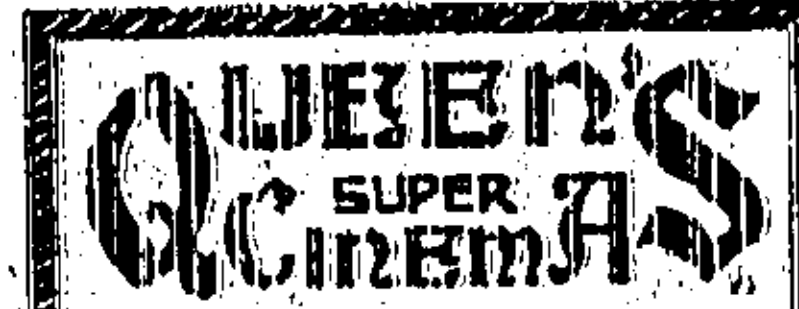
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By Order of the General Committee,
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